

**Semantic Web Services**

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**The Web Service Modeling Language (WSML)**



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**MOTIVATION**

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**Motivation** 

- WSMO – a conceptual model for:
  - Ontologies
  - Web Services
  - Goals
  - Mediators
- However, WSMO does not provide a **concrete syntax and semantic**

⇒ A unifying **language** (syntax and semantics) is needed for specifying WSMO Ontologies, Web Services, Goals, and Mediators

⇒ The Web Service Modeling Language (WSML)

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**Motivation (cont')** 

- Existing semantic Web languages are **not expressive enough** to capture all aspects of WSMO
  - **RDFS**: only a very limited ontology language, and no support for Web services, Goals, or Mediators
  - **OWL**: a language for modeling ontologies based on the Description Logic paradigm, however does not offer direct means to describe Web Services, Goals and Mediators
  - **OWL-S**: an OWL ontology for the modeling Web services, but is not expressive enough for capturing all aspects of Web service; new languages such as SWRL or KIF have been embedded in OWL-S, however such combinations are often ambiguous and complicated

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**TECHNICAL SOLUTION**

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**Key Features of WSML** 

- **Three pillars** of WSML, namely
  - (1) a *language independent conceptual model* for Ontologies, Web Services, Goals and Mediators, based on WSMO
  - (2) *Reuse* of several well-known logical language paradigms in *one* syntactical framework
  - (3) *Web Compliance*

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Key Features of WSML (cont') 

- One syntactic framework for a set of layered languages
  - Different Semantic Web and Semantic Web Service applications need languages of different expressiveness
  - No single language paradigm will be sufficient for all use cases
  - WSML investigates the use of **Description Logics** and **Logic Programming** for Semantic Web Services

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Key Features of WSML (cont') 

- Separation of **conceptual** and **logical** modeling
  - The **conceptual syntax** of WSML has been designed in such a way that it is independent of the underlying logical language
  - No or only limited knowledge of logical languages is required for the basic modeling of Ontologies, Web Services, Goals, and Mediators
  - The **logical expression syntax** allows expert users to refine definitions on the conceptual syntax using the full expressive power of the underlying logic, which depends on the particular language variant chosen by the user

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Key Features of WSML (cont') 

- Semantics based on **well known formalisms**
  - WSML captures well known logical formalisms such as **Datalog** and **Description Logics** in a unifying syntactical framework
    - WSML maintains the established computational properties of the original formalisms through proper syntactic layering
  - The variants allow the **reuse** of tools already developed for these formalisms
    - Efficient querying engines developed for Datalog
    - Efficient subsumption reasoners developed in the area of Description Logics
    - Inter-operation between the above two paradigms is achieved through a common subset based on Description Logic Programs

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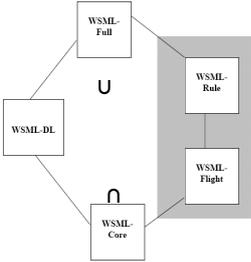
Key Features of WSML (cont') 

- **WWW Language**
  - WSML adopts the **IRI** standard, the successor of URI, for the identification of resources, following the Web architecture
  - WSML adopts the **namespace** mechanism of XML and **datatypes** in WSML are compatible with datatypes in XML Schema and datatype functions and operators are based on the functions and operators of XQuery
  - WSML defines an **XML syntax** and an **RDF syntax** for exchange over the Web

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**WSML Variants** 

- WSML Variants - allow users to make the trade-off between the provided **expressivity** and the implied **complexity** on a per-application basis



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**WSML Variants (cont')** 

- WSML-Core** - defined by the intersection of Description Logic and Horn Logic, based on **Description Logic Programs**
  - It has the least expressive power of all the languages of the WSML family and therefore has the most preferable computational characteristics
  - The main features of the language are the support for modeling **classes, attributes, binary relations and instances**
  - Supports **class hierarchies**, as well as **relation hierarchies**
  - Provides support for **datatypes** and **datatype predicates**

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**WSML Variants (cont')** 

- WSML-DL** - an extension of WSML-Core which fully captures the Description Logic **SHIQ(D)**, which captures a major part of the (DL species of the) Web Ontology Language OWL
- Differences between WSML-DL and OWL-DL:**
  - No support for nominals (i.e. enumerated classes) as in OWL
  - Allows to write enumerations of individuals  
`oneOf(Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday)`
  - Support for Qualified Cardinality Restrictions (QCR)
    - Used to constrain the number of values of a particular property
    - "The normal hand has exactly five fingers of which one is a thumb"
    - OWL does not support QCR: `Class(NormalHand restriction (hasFinger cardinality (5)))`
    - No possibility to model the fact that one finger is a thumb in OWL

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**WSML Variants (cont')** 

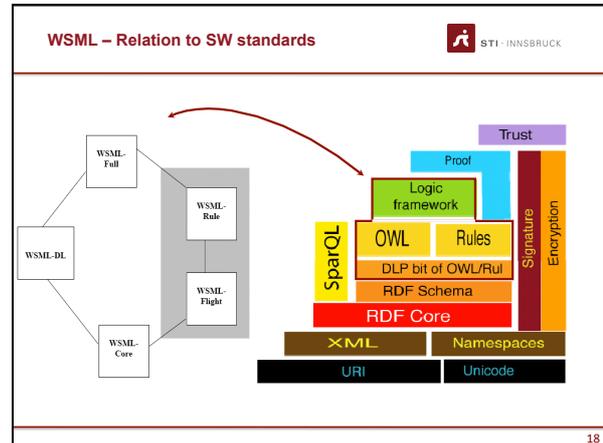
- WSML-Flight** - an extension of WSML-Core with **meta-modeling, constraints and nonmonotonic negation features**
  - Based on a **logic programming** variant of F-Logic
  - Semantically equivalent to **Datalog** with inequality and (locally) stratified negation
  - Provides a powerful rule language
- WSML-Rule** - an extension of WSML-Flight in the direction of Logic Programming
  - Captures several extensions such as **the use of function symbols and unsafe rules**, and does **not** require stratification of negation
  - The semantics for negation is based on the **Stable Model Semantics**

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**WSML Variants (cont')** 

- **WSML-Full** - unifies WSML-DL and WSML-Rule under a First-Order syntactic umbrella with extensions to support the **nonmonotonic negation** of WSML-Rule
  - Allows the **full syntactic freedom** of a First-Order logic and the full syntactic freedom of a Logic Programming language with default negation in a common semantic framework
- Compared to WSML-DL, WSML-Full adds full first-order modeling: n-ary predicates, function symbols and chaining variables over predicates
- Compared to WSML-Rule, WSML-Full adds disjunction, classical negation, multiple model semantics, and the equality operator

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**Syntax Basics** 

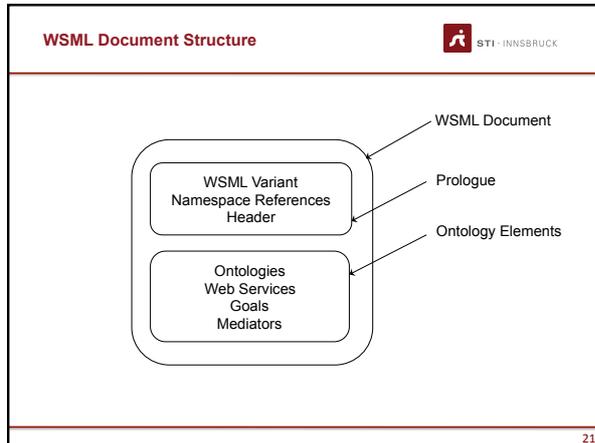
- The WSML Full syntax consists of two major parts: the **conceptual syntax** and the **logical expression syntax**
  - The **conceptual syntax** is used for the modeling of ontologies, goals, web services and mediators; these are the elements of the WSMO conceptual model
  - **Logical expressions** are used to refine these definitions using a logical language
- The other language variants impose **restrictions** on the general syntax (WSML Full syntax)

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**Syntax Basics – Main Parts** 

- A WSML specification is separated into **two parts**:
  - The first part provides a strictly ordered **meta-information block** about the specification:
    - WSML **variant** identification
    - **Namespace** references
    - **Annotations**
    - **Import** of ontologies
    - References to **mediators** used
    - The **type** of the specification
  - The second part of the specification, consisting of (unordered) elements such as **concepts**, **attributes**, **relations** (in the case of an ontology specification), **capability**, **interfaces** (in the case of a goal or web service specification), etc.

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**Namespaces and Identifiers** 

- WSML adopts the **namespace** mechanism of RDF; a namespace can be seen as part of an IRI
  - Namespaces can be used to syntactically distinguish elements of multiple WSML specifications and, more generally, resources on the Web
  - A namespace denotes a **syntactical domain** for naming resources
- An **identifier** in WSML is either a **data value**, an **IRI**, an **anonymous ID**, or a **variable**
  - The sets of identifiers of the following items are **disjoint**: ontology, goal, Web service, ooMediator, ggMediator, wgMediator, wwMediator, capability, interface, choreography, orchestration, state signature, grounding identifier, variant identifier, datatype wrapper identifier, built-in predicate identifier

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**Data Values** 

- WSML has direct support for different types of concrete data, namely, **strings**, **integers** and **decimals**, which correspond to the XML Schema primitive datatypes *string*, *integer* and *decimal*
- Concrete values can then be used to construct more **complex datatypes**, corresponding to other XML Schema primitive and derived datatypes, using datatype constructor functions
- Examples:

```
xsd#date(2005,3,12)
xsd#boolean("true")

age ofType xsd#integer
hasChildren ofType xsd#boolean
```

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**Internationalized Resource Identifiers** 

- The **IRI (Internationalized Resource Identifier)** mechanism provides a way to identify resources
  - IRIs may point to resources on the Web (in which case the IRI can start with "http://"), but this is not necessary (e.g. books can be identified through IRIs starting with "urn:isbn:")
    - "http://example.org/PersonOntology#Human"
    - "http://www.uibk.ac.at/"
- An IRI can be abbreviated to a **Compact URI** - it consists of two parts, namely, the namespace **prefix** and the **local part**
  - A Compact URI is written using a namespace prefix and a localname, separated by a hash ("#"): namespace\_prefix#localname
    - dc#title (<http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1#title>)
    - foaf#name (<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/name>)
    - xsd:string (<http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#string>)
    - Person (<http://example.org/#Person>)
    - hasChild (<http://example.org/#hasChild>)

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**Anonymous Identifiers** 

- An **anonymous identifier** represents an IRI which is meant to be globally unique
  - Unnumbered** anonymous IDs are denoted with '**#**'. Each occurrence of '**#**' denotes a new anonymous ID and different occurrences of '**#**' are unrelated
  - Numbered** anonymous IDs are denoted with '**#n**' where *n* stands for an integer denoting the number of the anonymous ID
    - `_#[a hasValue _#1] and _#1 memberOf b.`
    - `_#[a hasValue _#] and _# memberOf _#.`
- Anonymous identifiers are **disallowed** for the following elements:
  - the top-level elements *ontology*, *goal*, *webService*, *ooMediator*, *ggMediator*, *wgMediator* and *wwMediator*
  - capability*, *interface*, *choreography* and *orchestration*

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**Variables** 

- Variable names start with an initial **question mark** "?"
- May **only** occur in place of concepts, attributes, instances, relation arguments or attribute values
  - A variable may not, for example, replace a WSML keyword however
- Variables may only be used:
  - Inside of **logical expressions**, and
  - As **values** in a *non-functional property* definition or in the *sharedVariables* block within capability definitions
- Examples: ?x, ?y1, ?myVariable

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**WSML Prologue** 

- WSML **Prologue** contains all those elements that are in common between all types of WSML specifications and all WSML variants:
  - WSML **Variant** e.g. the WSML variant reference for a WSML-Flight specification is:
 

```
wsmlVariant _"http://www.wsmo.org/wsml/wsml-syntax/wsml-flight"
```
  - Namespace References**, e.g.
 

```
namespace [_"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example#",
dc _"http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/#",
foaf _"http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/",
wsmi _"http://www.wsmo.org/wsml-syntax#",
loc _"http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location#",
oo _"http://example.org/ooMediator#"]
namespace _"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example#"
```
  - WSML **header** - consists of items that any WSML specification may have: *annotations*, *import ontologies* and *use mediators*

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**WSML header** 

- Annotations**

```
annotations
dc#title hasValue "WSML example ontology"
dc#subject hasValue "family"
dc#description hasValue "Fragments of a family ontology to provide WSML examples"
dc#contributor hasValue { _"http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/~c703240/foaf.rdf",
_ "http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/~c703240/foaf.rdf",
_ "http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/~c703239/foaf.rdf",
_ "http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/~c703319/foaf.rdf" }
dc#date hasValue xsd:date("2004-11-22")
dc#format hasValue "text/html"
dc#language hasValue "en-US"
dc#rights hasValue _"http://www.deri.org/privacy.html"
wsmi#version hasValue "$Revision: 1.238 $"
endAnnotations
```
- Importing Ontologies**

```
importsOntology [_"http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location", _"http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1"]
```
- Using Mediators**

```
usesMediator _"http://example.org/ooMediator"
```

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### Ontologies in WSMML – Concepts



- WSMML allows **inheritance** of attribute definitions, which means that a concept inherits all attribute definitions of its superconcepts
 

```
concept Human subConceptOf (Primate, LegalAgent)
  annotations
    dc:description hasValue "concept of a human being"
    dc:relation hasValue humanDefinition
  endAnnotations
  hasName ofType foaf:name
  hasRelative impliesType Human
  hasAncestor impliesType Human
  hasParent impliesType Human
  hasChild impliesType Human
  hasWeightInKG ofType xsd:float
  hasBirthdate ofType xsd:date
  dateOfDeath ofType xsd:date
  hasBirthplace ofType loc#location
  isMarriedTo impliesType Human
  hasCitizenship ofType oco#country
```
- Axioms can be used to **define** concepts, e.g.
 

```
axiom humanDefinition
  definedBy
    ?x memberOf Human equivalent ?x memberOf Primate and ?x memberOf LegalAgent.
```

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### Concepts with Attribute Definitions



- WSMML allows two kinds of **attribute definitions**
  - Constraining definitions:** An attribute definition of the form *A ofType D*, where *A* is an attribute identifier and *D* is a concept identifier, is a **constraint** on the values for attribute *A*; If the value for the attribute *A* is not known to be of type *D*, the constraint is violated and the attribute value is inconsistent with respect to the ontology
  - Inferring definitions:** An attribute definition of the form *A impliesType D*, where *A* is an attribute identifier and *D* is a concept identifier, **implies** membership of the concept *D* for all values of the attribute *A*
- Attributes which do not have a datatype range can be specified as being **reflexive, transitive, symmetric**, or being the **inverse** of another attribute
- WSMML allows the specification of **cardinality and range constraints** (defined like integrity constraints in databases)

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### Concepts with Attribute Definitions – Example



```
concept Human
  annotations
    dc:description hasValue "concept of a human being"
  endAnnotations
  hasName ofType foaf:name
  hasRelative symmetric impliesType Human
  hasAncestor transitive impliesType Human
  hasParent inverseOf(hasChild) subAttributeOf(hasAncestor) impliesType Human
  hasMother ofType FemaleHuman
  hasMother impliesType Mother
  hasChild subAttributeOf(hasRelative) impliesType Human
  hasWeightInKG ofType (1) xsd:float
  hasBirthdate ofType (1) xsd:date
  dateOfDeath ofType (0 1) xsd:date
  hasBirthplace ofType (1) loc#location
  isMarriedTo symmetric impliesType (0 1) Human
  hasCitizenship ofType oco#country
```

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### Ontologies in WSMML – Instances



- The **memberOf** keyword identifies the concept to which the instance belongs, e.g.
 

```
instance Mary memberOf (Parent, Woman)
  annotations
    dc:description hasValue "Mary is parent of the twins Paul and Susan"
  endAnnotations
  hasName hasValue "Maria Smith"
  hasBirthdate hasValue xsd:date(1949,9,12)
  hasChild hasValue (Paul, Susan)
```
- WSMML allows instances which are not members of a particular concept, e.g.
 

```
instance Mary
  hasName hasValue "Maria Smith"
```

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**Ontologies in WSML – Relations** 

- Relations in WSML can be used in order to model interdependencies between several concepts (respectively instances of these concepts)
- The parameters of a relation are strictly ordered and their domain can be optionally specified using the keyword *impliesType* or *ofType*
- Examples of relations and relation instances:

```

relation distanceInKm (ofType City, ofType City, impliesType _decimal) subRelationOf measurement
relation distanceInKm/3

relationInstance distance(Innsbruck, Munich, 234)
  
```

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**Ontologies in WSML – Axioms** 

- The usage of axioms in WSML allows for example to refine the definition already given in the conceptual syntax, e.g.

```

axiom humanDefinition
definedBy
  ?x memberOf Human equivalent ?x memberOf Animal and ?x memberOf LegalAgent.

axiom humanBMIConstraint
definedBy
  !- naf bodyMassIndex[bmi hasValue ?b, length hasValue ?l, weight hasValue ?w]
  and ?x memberOf Human and
  ?x[length hasValue ?l,
  weight hasValue ?w,
  bmi hasValue ?b].
  
```

- WSML allows the specification of database-style constraints, e.g.

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**Web Service Capabilities in WSML** 

- The desired and provided functionality of services are described in WSML in the form of **capabilities**
  - The **desired** capability is part of a goal and the **provided** capability is part of a Web service
- Core elements of capabilities:
  - **Shared variables**: the variables which are shared between the preconditions, postconditions, assumptions and effects
  - **Preconditions**: conditions on the inputs of the service
  - **Postconditions**: the relation between the input and the output of the service
  - **Assumptions**: what must hold (but cannot be checked beforehand) of the state of the world for the Web service to be able to execute successfully
  - **Effects**: the real-world effects of the execution of the Web service which are not reflected in the output
- A WSML goal or Web service may only have **one** capability

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**Web Service Capabilities in WSML – Example** 

```

capability
  sharedVariables ?child
  precondition
  annotations
    dc:description hasValue "The input has to be boy or a girl with birthdate in the past and be born in Germany."
  endAnnotations
  definedBy
    ?child memberOf Child
    and ?child[hasBirthdate hasValue ?birthdate]
    and ?child[hasBirthplace hasValue ?location]
    and ?location[locatedIn hasValue oo#de]
    or (?child[hasParent hasValue ?parent]
    and ?parent[hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de] ).
  effect
  annotations
    dc:description hasValue "After the registration the child is a German citizen"
  endAnnotations
  definedBy
    ?child memberOf Child
    and ?child[hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de].
  
```

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**Web Service Interfaces in WSML** 

- An interface describes how the functionality of the Web service can be achieved by providing a twofold view on the operational competence of the Web service: **Choreography** decomposes a capability in terms of interaction with the Web service; and **Orchestration** decomposes a capability in terms of functionality required from other Web services
- Basic mechanism for representing choreographies:
  - A **signature** defines predicates and functions to be used in the description. **Ground facts** specify the underlying database states.
    - Signatures are defined using **ontologies**
    - The ground facts that populate database states are *instances of concepts and relations defined by the ontologies*
    - State changes are described in terms of *creation of new instances or changes to attribute values of objects.*
  - State changes are described using **transition rules**, which specify how the states change by falsifying (deleting) some previously true facts and inserting (making true) some other facts
    - if **Condition then Rules**
    - forall Variables with Condition do Rules**
    - choose Variables with Condition do Rules**

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**Interfaces in WSML – Examples** 

```

interface
  choreography _"http://example.org/mychoreography"
  orchestration _"http://example.org/myorchestration"

interface (_"http://example.org/mychoreography", _"http://example.org/mychoreography")

interface buyInterface
  choreography buyChoreography
  annotations
    dc:title hasValue "Multimedia Shopping Service Choreography"
    dc:description hasValue "Describes the steps required for shopping multimedia items over this web service"
  endAnnotations
  stateSignature
    importsOntology {
      _"http://example.org/ontologies/products/Products",
      _"http://example.org/ontologies/tasks/ShoppingTasks",
      _"http://example.org/ontologies/shopping/Shopping",
      _"http://example.org/ontologies/products/MediaProducts",
      _"http://example.org/ontologies/Media*"
    }
    in
      shopTasks#SearchCatalog withGrounding
        _"http://example.org/webServices/shopping/mediashoppingService#sd:interfaceMessageReferenceMediaShoppingServicePortTypeSearchCatalogIn"
      out
        mediaProduct#MediaProduct withGrounding
        _"http://example.org/webServices/shopping/mediashoppingService#sd:interfaceMessageReferenceMediaShoppingServicePortTypeSearchCatalogOut"
    
```

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**Interfaces in WSML – Example (cont')** 

```

transitionRules
  forall ?search
  with
    (?search|
      byTitle hasValue ?title,
      byArtist hasValue ?artist,
      byMinPrice hasValue ?minPrice,
      byMaxPrice hasValue ?maxPrice,
      byMinRating hasValue ?minRating,
      byMaxRating hasValue ?maxRating
    ) memberOf shopTasks#SearchCatalog
    and ?artist memberOf media#Artist
    and exists ?item
      ?item memberOf mediaProduct#MediaProduct and(
        ?item[hasContributor hasValue ?artist] or
        ?item[hasTitle hasValue ?title] or
        (?item[hasPrice hasValue ?price] and
          ?price >= ?minPrice and
          ?price <= ?maxPrice) or
        (?item[hasRating hasValue ?rating] and
          ?rating >= ?minRating and
          ?rating <= ?maxRating ) ) )
  do
    add(?item|
      hasContributor hasValue ?artist,
      hasTitle hasValue ?title,
      hasPrice hasValue ?price,
      hasRating hasValue ?rating | memberOf mediaProduct#MediaProduct )
    add(?artist memberOf media#Artist)
    delete(?search memberOf shopTasks#SearchCatalog)
  endForall
  
```

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**Non-functional Properties in WSML** 

- Properties which strictly belong to a Web service, goal, capability, interface or mediator and which are not functional and behavioral
- A WSML Web service, goal, capability, interface or mediator may specify multiple non-functional properties
- Example:

```

nonFunctionalProperty
  po#Price hasValue ?price
  annotations
    dc:description hasValue "If the client is older than 60 or younger than 10 years old the invocation price is lower than 10 euro"
  endAnnotations
  definedBy
    ?client[age hasValue ?age] memberOf hu#human and ?age[amount hasValue ?years, units hasValue hu#YearsDuration]
    memberOf hu#age and (greaterEqual(?years, 60) or lessEqual(?years, 10))
  implies ?price[hasAmount hasValue ?amount, hasCurrency hasValue cur#Euro] memberOf
    po#AbsolutePrice and lessEqual(?amount, 10).
  
```

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**Logical Expressions in WSML – Set of Formulae** 

**Definition.** The set of formulae in  $L(V)$  is defined by:

- Every atomic formula in  $L(V)$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
- Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be formulae which do not contain the symbols '∧' and '∨', and let  $?x_1, \dots, ?x_n$  be variables, then:
  - $\alpha$  **and**  $\beta$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - $\alpha$  **or**  $\beta$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - **neg**  $\alpha$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - **naf**  $\alpha$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - **forall**  $?x_1, \dots, ?x_n$  ( $\alpha$ ) is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - **exists**  $?x_1, \dots, ?x_n$  ( $\alpha$ ) is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - $\alpha$  **implies**  $\beta$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - $\alpha$  **impliedBy**  $\beta$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - $\alpha$  **equivalent**  $\beta$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ .
  - $\alpha :- \beta$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ . This formula is called an *LP (Logic Programming) rule*.  $\alpha$  is called the *head* and  $\beta$  is called the *body* of the rule.
  - $\vdash \alpha$  is a formula in  $L(V)$ . This formula is called a *constraint*. We say  $\alpha$  is a constraint of the knowledge base.

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**Examples of WSML Logical Expressions** 

- No human can be both male and female:
 
$$\vdash \text{?x[gender hasValue {?y, ?z}] memberOf Human and ?y = Male and ?z = Female.}$$
- A human who is not a man is a woman:
 
$$\text{?x[gender hasValue Woman] impliedBy neg ?x[gender hasValue Man].}$$
- The brother of a parent is an uncle:
 
$$\text{?x[uncle hasValue ?z] impliedBy ?x[parent hasValue ?y] and ?y[brother hasValue ?z].}$$
- Do not trust strangers:
 
$$\text{?x[distrust hasValue ?y] :- naf ?x[knows hasValue ?y].}$$

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**WSML-Core Logical Expressions Restrictions** 

- WSML-Core is based on the Logic Programming subset of Description Logics
- WSML-Core allows only a restricted form of logical expressions; there are two sources for these restrictions
  - The restriction of the language to a subset of **Description Logics** restricts the kind of formulas which can be written down to the *two-variable fragment of first-order logic*. Furthermore, it disallows the use of *function symbols* and restricts the arity of predicates to *unary* and *binary* and chaining variables over predicates
  - The restriction of the language to a subset of **Datalog** (without equality) disallows the use of the *equality symbol*, *disjunction* in the head of a rule and *existentially quantified variables* in the head of the rule

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**WSML-Core – Other Restrictions** 

- WSML-Core does not allow for the specification of the attribute features **reflexive**, **transitive**, **symmetric**, **inverseOf** and **subAttributeOf**
- Cardinality constraints are not allowed and thus it is not possible to specify functional properties
- Allowed attribute values are restricted to strings, numbers, ids, or a lists of such values; constructed data values are not allowed
- Does not allow for the specification of relations
- Does not allow the specification of relation instances
- For axioms, WSML-Core only allows the use of a restricted form of the WSML logical expression syntax
- Goals and Web services: the logical expressions in the 'assumptions', 'preconditions', 'effects' and 'postconditions' of a capability and 'definition' of a non-functional property are limited to WSML-Core logical expressions

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**WSML-Core Logical Expressions Examples** 

- The attribute 'hasAncestor' is transitive:  

$$?x[\text{hasAncestor hasValue } ?z] \text{ impliedBy } ?x[\text{hasAncestor hasValue } ?y] \text{ and } ?y[\text{hasAncestor hasValue } ?z]$$
- A female person is a woman:  

$$?x \text{ memberOf Woman impliedBy } ?x \text{ memberOf Person and } ?x \text{ memberOf Female}$$
- A student is a person:  

$$\text{Student subConceptOf Person}$$

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**WSML-DL Logical Expressions Restrictions** 

- WSML-DL is an extension of WSML-Core to a full-fledged description logic with an expressiveness similar to **OWL DL**
- WSML-DL is both syntactically and semantically **completely layered** on top of WSML-Core
  - Every valid WSML-Core specification is also a valid WSML-DL specification
  - All consequences inferred from a WSML-Core specification are also valid consequences of the same specification in WSML-DL
- The **difference** between WSML-Core and WSML-DL lies in the logical expression syntax
  - The logical expression syntax of WSML-DL is less restrictive than the logical expression syntax of WSML-Core
- Restrictions:** it disallows the use of *function symbols*, restricts the arity of predicates to *unary* and *binary* and prohibits *chaining variables over predicates*

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**WSML-DL Logical Expressions Examples** 

- The concept Human is defined as the disjunction between Man and Woman:  

$$?x \text{ memberOf Human equivalent } ?x \text{ memberOf Woman or } ?x \text{ memberOf Man}$$
- The concepts Man and Woman are disjoint:  

$$?x \text{ memberOf Man implies neg } ?x \text{ memberOf Woman}$$
- Every Human has a father, which is a Human and every father is a human:  

$$?x \text{ memberOf Human implies exists } ?y ( ?x[\text{father hasValue } ?y] \text{ and } ?y \text{ memberOf Human } ) \text{ and forall } ?y ( ?x[\text{father hasValue } ?y] \text{ implies } ?y \text{ memberOf Human } )$$

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**WSML-Flight** 

- WSML-Flight is both syntactically and semantically completely layered on top of WSML-Core
- WSML-Flight adds the following features to WSML-Core:
  - N-ary relations with arbitrary parameters
  - Constraining attribute definitions for the abstract domain
  - Cardinality constraints
  - (Locally Stratified) default negation in logical expressions (in the body of the rule)
  - Expressive logical expressions, namely, the full Datalog subset of F-Logic, extended with inequality (in the body) and locally stratified negation
  - Meta-modeling. WSML-Flight no longer requires a separation of vocabulary (wrt. concepts, instances, relations)

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**WSML-Flight Logical Expressions Examples** 

- No human can be both male and female:  
 $\neg \exists x [\text{gender hasValue } \{?y, ?z\}] \text{ memberOf Human and } ?y = \text{Male and } ?z = \text{Female}$
- The brother of a parent is an uncle:  
 $?x[\text{uncle hasValue } ?z] \text{ impliedBy } ?x[\text{parent hasValue } ?y] \text{ and } ?y[\text{brother hasValue } ?z]$
- Do not trust strangers:  
 $?x[\text{distrust hasValue } ?y] \text{ :- naf } ?x[\text{knows hasValue } ?y] \text{ and } ?x \text{ memberOf Human and } ?y \text{ memberOf Human}$

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**WSML-Rule** 

- WSML-Rule is an extension of WSML-Flight in the direction of Logic Programming
- WSML-Rule no longer requires safety of rules and allows the use of function symbols
  - The only differences between WSML-Rule and WSML-Flight are in the logical expression syntax
- WSML-Rule is both syntactically and semantically layered on top of WSML-Flight
  - Each valid WSML-Flight specification is a valid WSML-Rule specification

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**WSML-Rule Logical Expressions Examples** 

- Both the father and the mother are parents:  
 $?x[\text{parent hasValue } ?y] \text{ :- } ?x[\text{father hasValue } ?y] \text{ or } ?x[\text{mother hasValue } ?y]$
- Every person has a father:  
 $?x[\text{father hasValue } f(?x)] \text{ :- } ?x \text{ memberOf Person}$
- There may only be one distance between two locations, and the distance between locations *A* and *B* is the same as the distance between *B* and *A*:  
 $\neg \text{distance}(?location1, ?location2, ?distance1) \text{ and } \text{distance}(?location1, ?location2, ?distance2) \text{ and } ?distance1 \neq ?distance2$   
 $\text{distance}(?B, ?A, ?distance) \text{ :- } \text{distance}(?A, ?B, ?distance)$

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**WSML-Full** 

- WSML-Full unifies the Description Logic and Logic Programming variants of WSML, namely, WSML-DL and WSML-Rule, in a principled way, under a common syntactic umbrella, inspired by First-Order Logic
- Differences between WSML-DL and WSML-Full:
  - WSML-Full adds full first-order modeling: n-ary predicates, function symbols and chaining variables over predicates
  - WSML-Full allows non-monotonic negation
- Differences between WSML-Rule and WSML-Full:
  - WSML-Full adds disjunction, classical negation, multiple model semantics, and the equality operator

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**WSML Variants and Feature Matrix – Summary** 

Feature	Core	DL	Flight	Rule	Full
Classical Negation ( <b>neg</b> )	-	X	-	-	X
Existential Quantification	-	X	-	-	X
(Head) Disjunction	-	X	-	-	X
<i>n</i> -ary relations	-	-	X	X	X
Meta Modeling	-	-	X	X	X
Default Negation ( <b>naf</b> )	-	-	X	X	X
LP implication	-	-	X	X	X
Integrity Constraints	-	-	X	X	X
Function Symbols	-	-	-	X	X
Unsafe Rules	-	-	-	X	X

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- WSML2Reasoner** 
- WSML2Reasoner is a highly **modular framework** that combines various validation, normalization and transformation algorithms that enable the translation of ontology descriptions in WSML to the appropriate syntax of several underlying reasoning engines
  - WSML2Reasoner has been implemented and tested using **various reasoning engines** that support all WSML variants with the exception of WSML-Full
  - The WSML2Reasoner framework has a **flexible architecture** that allows the easy integration of existing reasoning components
    - It first maps WSML to either generic Datalog or OWL (Web Ontology Language), and then uses a plug-in layer that translates to the specific internal representation of a single reasoning engine
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**Reasoning engines integrated within the WSML2Reasoner framework** 

- Integrated Rule Inference System (IRIS) - <http://iris-reasoner.org/>**
  - Supports WSML-Core, WSML-Flight, WSML-Rule
  - Is an extensible reasoning engine for expressive rule-based languages; supports Datalog extended with stratified and well-founded negation, function symbols, unsafe-rules, XML schema data-types and an extensible set built-in predicates

**IRIS Demo**

Enter a datalog program in the text area below, choose an evaluation method and press "Submit Query" to test IRIS. For help on the IRIS datalog syntax, see [IRIS](#). Please note that we placed a 30 seconds timeout per query to avoid overloading our server.

Note: This Demo uses the latest stable IRIS release. You also can [run your queries against the latest nightly build](#) (not guaranteed to work).

```

iris('iris') .
iris('neg') .
iris('disj') .
iris('rule') .
iris('naf') .
iris('imp') .
iris('integrity') .
iris('function') .
iris('unsafe') .

```

evaluation method:

```

iris('iris') .
iris('neg') .
iris('disj') .
iris('rule') .
iris('naf') .
iris('imp') .
iris('integrity') .
iris('function') .
iris('unsafe') .

```

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- Reasoning engines integrated within the WSML2Reasoner framework (cont')** 
- KAON2**
    - Supports WSML-Core, WSML-Flight, WSML-DL
    - Is an infrastructure for managing OWL-DL, SWRL, and F-Logic ontologies
    - Reasoning in KAON2 is implemented by novel algorithms which reduce a SHIQ(D) knowledge base to a disjunctive datalog program
  - MINS (Mins Is Not Silri)**
    - Supports WSML-Core, WSML-Flight, WSML-Rule
    - Is a reasoner for Datalog programs with negation and function symbols which supports well-founded semantics
  - PELLET**
    - Supports WSML-Core, WSML-DL
    - Is an OWL DL reasoner written in Java
    - Is based on the tableaux algorithms for expressive Description Logics (DL) and supports the full expressivity of OWL DL, including reasoning about nominals (enumerated classes)
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## ILLUSTRATION BY A LARGER EXAMPLE

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### Vehicle Ontology

```

wsmiVariant "_http://www.wsmo.org/wsmi-syntax/wsmi-flight"
namespace { "_http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/ontologies/vehicle#" }

ontology VehicleOntology
concept Vehicle
  hasTires ofType _integer
  hasMotor ofType _boolean
concept Automobile subConceptOf Vehicle
  hasLimitSpeed ofType _integer
concept Car subConceptOf Automobile
  hasDoors ofType _integer
concept TwoWheeler subConceptOf Vehicle
concept Motorcycle subConceptOf {Automobile, TwoWheeler}
concept Bicycle subConceptOf TwoWheeler

axiom definedBy
  // a vehicle with a motor is an automobile
  ?x memberOf Vehicle and ?x[hasMotor hasValue _boolean("true")] implies ?x memberOf Automobile.
  // an automobile with 4 tires is a car
  ?x memberOf Automobile and ?x[hasTires hasValue 4] implies ?x memberOf Car.
  // a vehicle with 2 tires is a TwoWheeler
  ?x memberOf Vehicle and ?x[hasTires hasValue 2] implies ?x memberOf TwoWheeler.
  // a two-wheeler with motor is a motorcycle
  ?x memberOf TwoWheeler and ?x[hasMotor hasValue _boolean("true")]
  implies ?x memberOf Motorcycle.
  // a two-wheeler without motor is a bicycle.
  ?x memberOf TwoWheeler and ?x[hasMotor hasValue _boolean("false")] implies ?x memberOf Bicycle.

```

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### Find An Automobile Goal

```

wsmiVariant "_http://www.wsmo.org/wsmi-syntax/wsmi-rule"
namespace { "_http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/goals#" }
vehicle "_http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/ontologies/vehicle#",
discovery "_http://wiki.wsmx.org/index.php?title=DiscoveryOntology#"

goal FindAnAutomobile

importsOntology {vehicle#VehicleOntology}

capability FindAnAutomobileCapability

nonFunctionalProperties
  discovery#discoveryStrategy hasValue discovery#HeavyweightDiscovery
  discovery#discoveryStrategy hasValue discovery#NoPreFilter
endNonFunctionalProperties

sharedVariables ?x

precondition findAnAutomobilePre
definedBy
  ?x memberOf vehicle#Vehicle and ?x[vehicle#hasMotor hasValue _boolean("true")].

postcondition findAnAutomobilePost
definedBy
  ?x memberOf vehicle#Automobile.

```

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### Automobile Vendor Web Service

```

wsmiVariant "_http://www.wsmo.org/wsmi-syntax/wsmi-rule"
namespace { "_http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/services#" }
vehicle "_http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/ontologies/vehicle#",
discovery "_http://wiki.wsmx.org/index.php?title=DiscoveryOntology#"

webService AutomobileVendor

importsOntology {vehicle#VehicleOntology}

capability AutomobileCapability

nonFunctionalProperties
  discovery#discoveryStrategy hasValue discovery#HeavyweightDiscovery
  discovery#discoveryStrategy hasValue discovery#NoPreFilter
endNonFunctionalProperties

sharedVariables ?x

precondition automobilePre
definedBy
  ?x memberOf vehicle#Vehicle and ?x[vehicle#hasMotor hasValue _boolean("true")].

postcondition automobilePost
definedBy
  ?x memberOf vehicle#Automobile.

```

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### Car Vendor Web Service

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```

wsm:Variant _ "http://www.wsmo.org/wsm/wsm-syntax/wsm-rule"
namespace { _ "http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/services#"
vehicle _ "http://www.sti-innsbruck.at/ontologies/vehicle#"
discovery _ "http://wiki.wsmx.org/index.php?title=DiscoveryOntology#" }

webService CarVendor

importsOntology (vehicle#VehicleOntology)

capability CarCapability

nonFunctionalProperties
discovery#discoveryStrategy hasValue discovery#HeavyweightDiscovery
discovery#discoveryStrategy hasValue discovery#NoPreFilter
endNonFunctionalProperties

sharedVariables ?x

precondition carPre
definedBy
?x memberOf vehicle#Automobile.

postcondition carPost
definedBy
?x memberOf vehicle#Automobile and ?x[vehicle#hasTires hasValue 4].
    
```

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### Another Example – The Simpsons Ontology (visualized using WSMT)

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### The Simpsons Ontology – Preamble and Axioms

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```

wsm:Variant _ "http://www.wsmo.org/wsm/wsm-syntax/wsm-flight"
namespace { _ "http://ontologies.sti2.at",
wsm _ "http://www.wsmo.org/wsm/wsm-syntax#",
dc _ "http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/" }

ontology simpsons
nonFunctionalProperties
dc:creator hasValue "Mick Kerrigan"
dc:type hasValue _ "http://www.wsmo.org/2004/d2#ontologies"
dc:description hasValue "An ontology of the characters, actors and places in the Simpsons"
dc:identifier hasValue simpsons
dc:publisher hasValue "STI Innsbruck"
dc:subject hasValue "The Simpsons"
wsm:version hasValue "1.0"
dc:language hasValue "en-UK"
dc:title hasValue "The Simpsons Ontology"
dc:date hasValue "2006-05-03"
endNonFunctionalProperties

axiom principles_work_loo
definedBy
?x[principleOf hasValue ?y] memberOf character
implies ?x[hasWorkingPlace hasValue ?y].

axiom spouses_are_in_love
definedBy
?x[hasSpouse hasValue ?y] memberOf character
implies ?x[inLoveWith hasValue ?y].
    
```

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### The Simpsons Ontology - Concepts

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```

concept gender
concept actor
nonFunctionalProperties
dc:title hasValue "Actor"
endNonFunctionalProperties
hasName ofType _string
hasGender ofType gender

concept place
hasName ofType _string

concept town subConceptOf place
hasMayor ofType character
hasPoliceChief ofType character

concept workplace subConceptOf place
hasOwner ofType character
hasLocation ofType town

concept school subConceptOf place
hasPrinciple ofType character
hasLocation ofType town

concept church subConceptOf place
hasReverant ofType character
hasLocation ofType town

concept character
hasName ofType _string
hasGender ofType gender
hasActor ofType actor
hasSpouse ofType character
hasChild ofType character
hasParent ofType character
hasSibling ofType character
hasFriend ofType character
hasNeighbour ofType character
hasCatchPhrase ofType _string
inLoveWith ofType character
isCustomerOf ofType workplace
hasWorkingPlace ofType place
worshipsAt ofType church
principleOf ofType school
attends ofType school
owns ofType workplace
mayorOf ofType town
policeChiefOf ofType town
reverantOf ofType church
    
```

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**The Simpsons Ontology – (some) Instances** 

<p><b>instance male memberOf gender</b></p> <p><b>instance female memberOf gender</b></p> <p><b>instance dan_castellanata memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Dan Castellanata" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Dan Castellanata" hasGender hasValue male</p> <p><b>instance julie_kavner memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Julie Kavner" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Julie Kavner" hasGender hasValue female</p> <p><b>instance yeardey_smith memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Yeardey Smith" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Yeardey Smith" hasGender hasValue female</p> <p><b>instance nancy_cartwright memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Nancy Cartwright" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Nancy Cartwright" hasGender hasValue female</p>	<p><b>instance hank_azaria memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Hank Azaria" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Hank Azaria" hasGender hasValue male</p> <p><b>instance herry_shearer memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Herry Shearer" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Herry Shearer" hasGender hasValue male</p> <p><b>instance marcia_wallace memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Marcia Wallace" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Marcia Wallace" hasGender hasValue female</p> <p><b>instance pamela_hayden memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Pamela Hayden" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Pamela Hayden" hasGender hasValue female</p> <p><b>instance tress_macneille memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Tress MacNeille" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Tress MacNeille" hasGender hasValue female</p>	<p><b>instance maggie_rosewell memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Maggie Rosewell" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Maggie Rosewell" hasGender hasValue female</p> <p><b>instance doris_grau memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Doris Grau" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Doris Grau" hasGender hasValue female</p> <p><b>instance kelsey_grammar memberOf actor</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Kelsey Grammar" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Kelsey Grammar" hasGender hasValue male</p> <p><b>instance springfield memberOf town</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Springfield" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Springfield" hasMayor hasValue joe_gumbly hasPoliceChief hasValue chief_clancy_wiggum</p> <p><b>instance shelbyville memberOf town</b> nonFunctionalProperties dctitle hasValue "Shelbyville" endNonFunctionalProperties hasName hasValue "Shelbyville"</p>
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**The Simpsons Ontology – Queries** 

**Query 1: To find all the students and the principle of the school they attend:**  
?child[at attends hasValue ?school] and ?principle[principleOf hasValue ?school]

**Query 2: To find all the people that work at springfield\_elementary:**  
?employee[hasWorkingPlace hasValue springfield\_elementary]

**Query 3: To find out who is the reverant of the church that each character attends:**  
?worshiper[worshipsAt hasValue ?church] and ?reverant[reverantOf hasValue ?church]

**Query 4: To find all the characters that Dan Castellanata does the voices for on the simpsons:**  
?character[hasActor hasValue dan\_castellanata]

**Query 5: To find out who is in love with who in the simpsons world:**  
?character1[inLoveWith hasValue ?character2]

**Query 6: To find all actors who play characters of the opposite sex:**  
?actor[hasGender hasValue ?actorgender] memberOf actor and ?character[hasGender hasValue ?charactergender] memberOf character and ?character[hasActor hasValue ?actor] and ?actorgender != ?charactergender

Demo: Use the IRIS Reasoner in WSMT for answers to these queries!

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EXTENSIONS

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**WSML – Recent development** 

- 1 new variant and 4 updated versions of WSML developed in SOA4All project:
  - WSML-Quark
  - WSML-Core 2.0
  - WSML-DL 2.0
  - WSML-Flight 2.0
  - WSML-Rule 2.0

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**WSML Updates** 

- **Basic Idea:** Update WSML to align it with new research
- **WSML-Core 2.0:**
  - Still based on DLP ~ Semantically stronger version
  - Extended with individual equivalence
  - Requires slightly more powerful rules engine
- **WSML-DL 2.0:**
  - Based on ELP (decidable fragment of the Semantic Web Rule Language (SWRL))
  - Contains OWL 2 RL, EL
  - Allows restricted form of rules to be included
- **WSML-Flight/Rule 2.0:**
  - Updated for layering
  - Ensure compatibility with RIF (Rule Interchange Format)
  - Technically contains same expressivity as OWL 2 QL

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**WSML Quark – New Variant** 

- **New language variant**
- **Specifically for very light-weight knowledge representation**
  - classification systems, ultra-light-weight
  - hierarchical schema (sub-concept)
- **Reasoning is reduced to graph reachability**
  - is-subconcept-of(C1,C2)
  - get-sub-concepts(C)
  - get-super-concepts(C)
- **Hybrid algorithms**
  - trade off between query time, indexing time and index size
  - tune for specific knowledge bases

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**SUMMARY**

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**WSML – Summary and Conclusions** 

- Provides a formal **syntax** and **semantics** for representing WSMO Ontologies, Web services, Goals, and Mediators
- Defines several language variants (WSML-Core, WSML-DL, WSML-Flight, WSML-Rule, WSML-Full) and thus allows users to make a trade-off between the provided expressivity and the implied complexity
- Designed based on the **principles of the Semantic Web**
- Brings together **different logical language paradigms** and unifies them in one syntactical framework, enabling the reuse of proven reasoning techniques and tools
- **WSML2Reasoner** is a reasoning framework for WSML
- WSML is **evolving**

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