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Rule-Based Systems

Features

- **RBS** → type of expert system
- knowledge representation → **rules**
- state of the system → **factbase**

Rules

- easy to understand and intuitive
- high-level declarative knowledge representation
- logical independence of applications
- consists of **only** two parts: *condition* and *decision*

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HeKatE Approach

Features

- formal logical system description $ALSV(FD)$
- three stages of hierarchical design
- $ARD+$ → rule prototyping
- XTT^2 → logical system design
- automated implementation → prototype generation
- **formal on-line** verification

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Conceptual Design – ARD+

ARD+

- ARD+ → Attribute Relationship Diagram
- supportive method for XTT2
- hierarchical method
- general model $\xrightarrow{\text{transformation}}$ more detailed model
- the most detailed model $\xrightarrow{\text{automatic transition}}$ schema of XTT2

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ARD+ syntax

Definition

Conceptual Attribute. A conceptual attribute A is an attribute describing some general, abstract aspect of the system to be specified and refined.

Definition

Physical Attribute. A physical attribute a is an attribute describing a well-defined, atomic aspect of the system.

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ARD+ syntax

A *property* is described by one or more attributes.

Definition

Simple Property. *PS* is a property described by a single attribute.

Definition

Complex Property. *PC* is a property described by multiple attributes.

Definition

Dependency. A dependency *D* is an ordered pair of properties $D = \langle p_1, p_2 \rangle$ where p_1 is the independent property, and p_2 is the one that dependent on p_1 .

ARD+ syntax

Definition

Diagram. An ARD diagram G is a pair $G = \langle P, D \rangle$ where P is a set of properties, and D is a set of dependencies.

Constraint

Diagram Restrictions. The diagram constitutes a directed graph with certain restrictions:

- 1** *In the diagram cycles are allowed.*
- 2** *Between two properties only a single dependency is allowed.*

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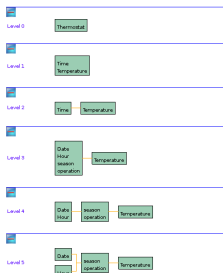
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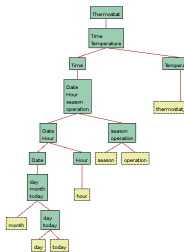
ARD+ Features

- visual method
- two types of diagrams:
 - ARD diagram → attributes relationships diagram
 - TPH diagram → history of ARD transformations

ARD
diagram



TPH
diagram



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ARD+ diagram transformations

- Diagram transformations are one of the core concepts in the ARD.
- They serve as a tool for diagram specification and development.
- For the transformation T such as $T : D_1 \rightarrow D_2$, where D_1 and D_2 are both diagrams, the diagram D_2 carries more knowledge, is more specific and less abstract than the D_1 .
- A transformed diagram D_2 constitutes a more detailed *diagram level*.

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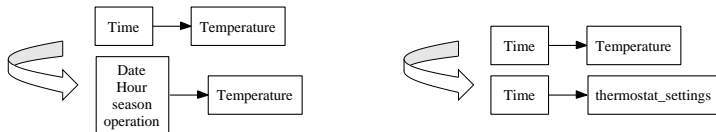
Finalization transformation

Definition

Finalization. Finalization TF is a function of the form

$$TF : P_1 \rightarrow P_2$$

transforming a simple property P_1 described by a conceptual attribute into a P_2 , where the attribute describing P_1 is substituted by one or more conceptual or physical attributes describing P_2 .



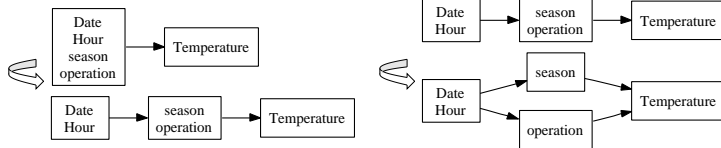
Split transformation

Definition

Split. A split is a function S of the form:

$$S : PS \rightarrow \{PS_1, PS_2, \dots, PS_n\}$$

where a complex property PS is replaced by n properties, each of them described by one or more attributes originally describing PS .



The TPH

The purposes of having the hierarchical model are:

- gradual refinement of a designed system, and particularly
- identification of the origin of given properties,
- ability to get back to previous diagram levels for refactoring purposes,
- big picture perspective of the designed system.

Implementation:

- storing the lowest available, most detailed diagram level, and
- information needed to recreate all of the higher levels:
Transformation Process History.

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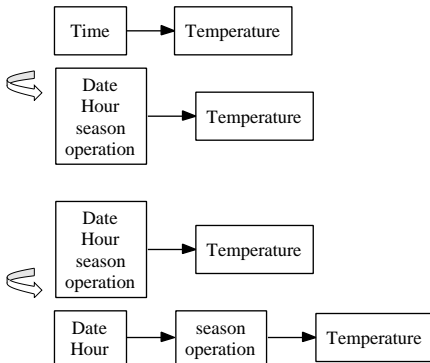
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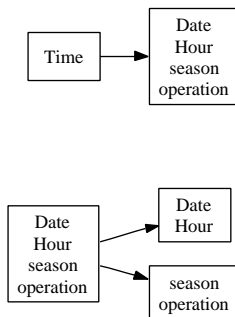
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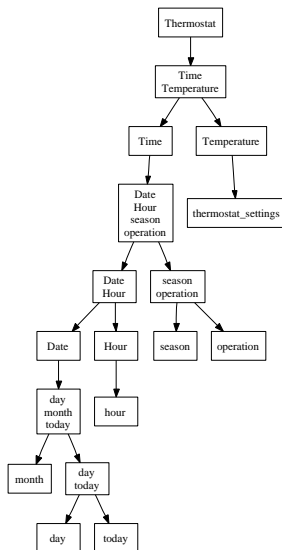
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TPH:



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Hekate Rule Language

What is XTT...

- XTT2 \rightarrow *eXtended Tabular Trees*
- the main stage of the HeKatE design process
- method of the rules design
- it bases on the ALSV(FD) logic

Features

- XTT2 bases on the classic concept of rule languages with certain extensions:
- provides structured rulebase
- provides visualization
- provides formal and on-line verification
- specifies inference control in the knowledge base

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ALSV(FD)

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- ALSV(FD) – **A**ttributive **L**ogic with **S**et **V**alues over **F**inite **D**omains
- more expressive than First Order Logic
- it introduces a concept of generalized attribute

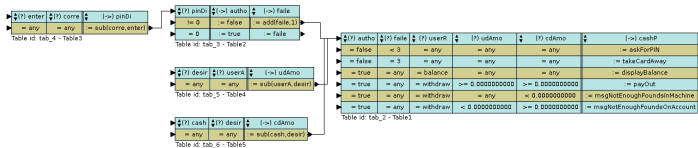
ALSV(FD) in XTT

- an attribute A_i is a function of the form $A_i : O \rightarrow D_i$
- a rule format:

$$(A_1 \propto_1 V_1) \wedge (A_2 \propto_2 V_2) \wedge \dots \wedge (A_n \propto_n V_n) \rightarrow RHS$$
- a simple table format:

Rule	A_1	A_2	...	A_n	H
1	$\propto_{11} t_{11}$	$\propto_{12} t_{12}$...	$\propto_{1n} t_{1n}$	h_1
2	$\propto_{21} t_{21}$	$\propto_{22} t_{22}$...	$\propto_{2n} t_{2n}$	h_2
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
m	$\propto_{m1} t_{m1}$	$\propto_{m2} t_{m2}$...	$\propto_{mn} t_{mn}$	h_m

XTT diagram example



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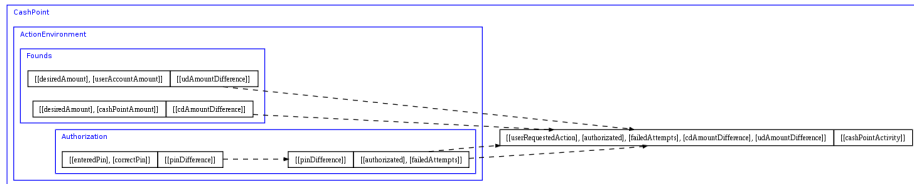
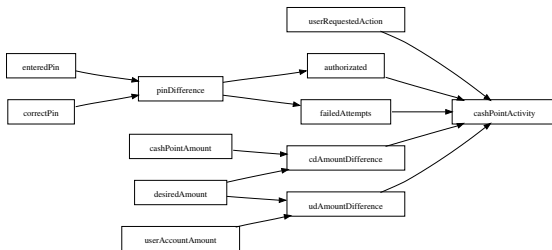
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ARD → XTT



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Verification of XTT Components

Within the proposed approach verification of the following theoretical properties is performed:

- redundancy – subsumption of rules,
- indeterminism – overlapping rules,
- completeness – missing rules.

The components are checked if they are minimal and reduction possibilities are suggested.

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- XTT2 $\xrightarrow{\text{automatic transition}}$ Physical Implementation (HMR)
- graphical representation \rightarrow textual representation
- no semantic gap

HMR

- **HMR** – **H**ekate **M**eta **R**epresentation
- **HMR** – textual representation
- **HMR** – PROLOG based representation
- directly interpreted by HeaRT engine

HMR rule representation

↕ (?) diagn	↕ (?) aller	↕ (?) age	↕ (->) medic
= AcuteSinusitils	= none	> 17	:= Amoxicillin
= AcuteSinusitils	= none	<= 17	:= Cefuroxime
= AcuteSinusitils	= penicillin	= any	:= Levofloxacin

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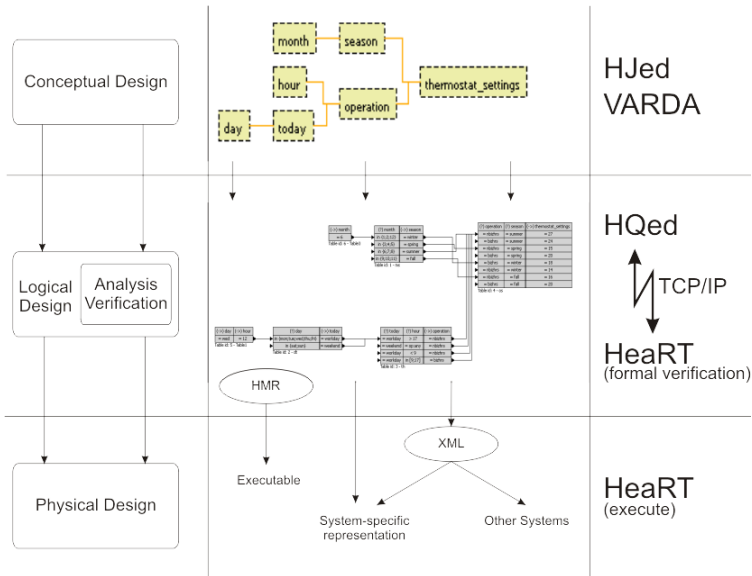
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xschm 'Table1': [diagnosis,allergic,age] ==> [medication].
```

```
xrule 'Table1'/1:
[diagnosis eq 'AcuteSinusitils',
 allergic eq none,
 age gt 17]
==>
[medication set 'Amoxicillin']
:'Table2'.
```

```
xrule 'Table1'/2:
[diagnosis eq 'AcuteSinusitils',
 allergic eq none,
 age lte 17]
==>
[medication set 'Cefuroxime'].
```

```
xrule 'Table1'/3:
[diagnosis eq 'AcuteSinusitils',
 allergic eq penicillin,
 age eq any]
==>
[medication set 'Levofloxacin'].
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HeKatE Rule Framework



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Knowledge Markup

- Knowledge in the HeKatE design process is described in HML (Hekate Markup Language), a machine readable XML-based format.
- HML consists of three logical parts:
 - ATTML – attribute specification,
 - ARDML – attribute and property relationship specification and
 - XTTML – rule specification.
- number of XSLT transformations provide translation to other markups, e.g. W3C RIF.

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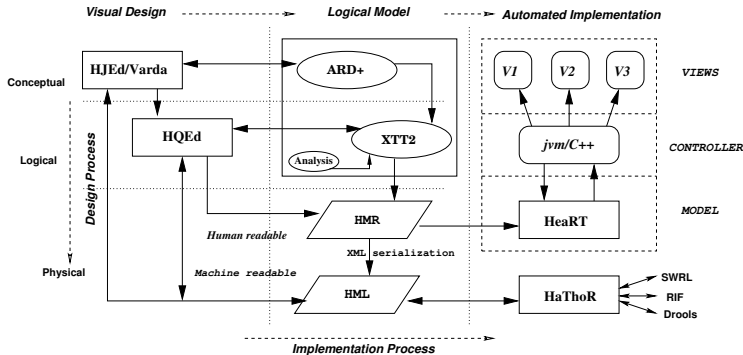
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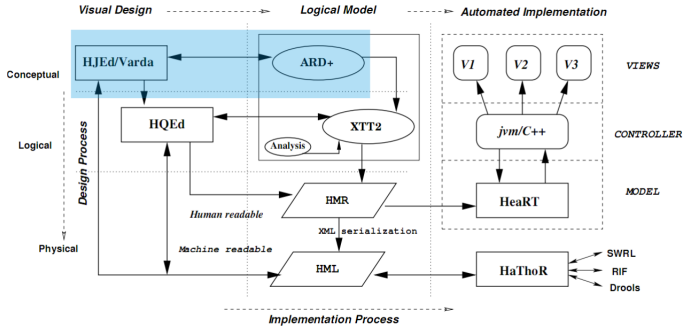
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HaDEs

- HaDEs – **H**ekate **D**esign **E**nvironment
- a set of tools that supports design in HeKatE methodology



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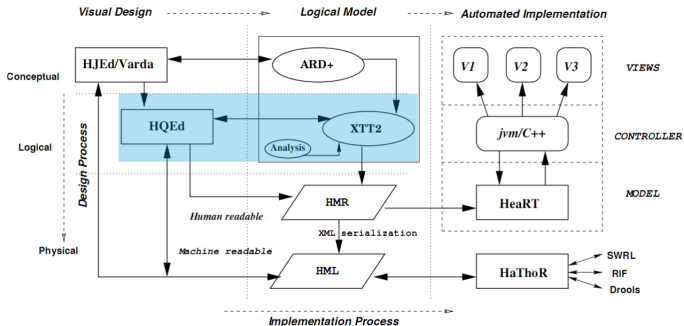
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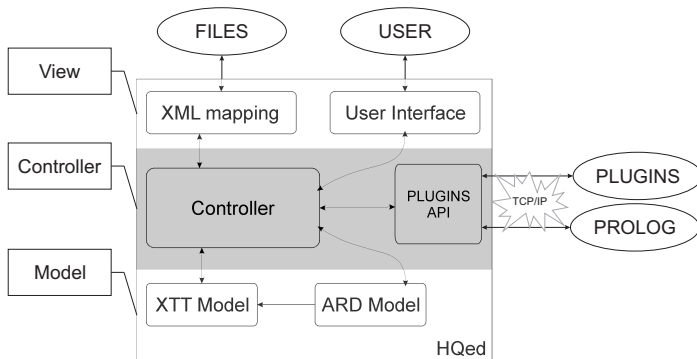
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HQEd intro

- a complex visual XTT^2 editor
- using the rule prototypes generated with VARDA, it allows for the actual logical rule design
- the editor allows for gradual refinement of rules, with an online checking of attribute domains, as well as simple table properties
- a plugin framework allows for integrating Prolog-based analysis plugins to check formal properties of the XTT rule base
- HQEd is a crossplatform tool written in C++, that depends only on the Qt library
- it is available under the GNU GPL from <https://ai.ia.agh.edu.pl/wiki/hekate:hqed>
- the output from the editor is a complete rulebase encoded in Prolog
- it can be executed using a Prolog-based inference engine
- the rulebase can be integrated into a larger application as a logical core

HQed architecture



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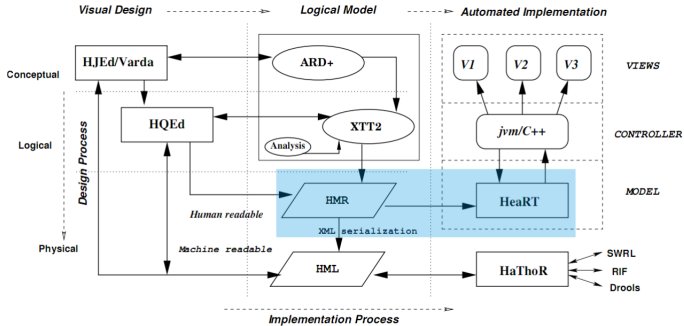
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HeaRT (HeKatE Run Time)

- dedicated inference engine for the XTT^2 rule bases
- cross-platform tool written in PROLOG

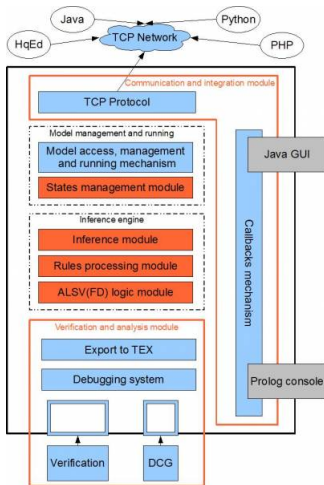
Functionality

- store and export models in HMR files
- verify HMR syntax and logic (HaIVA)

Communication and integration

- direct interaction via Prolog console
- through TCP/IP protocol offers integration mechanism
- supports Java integration based on callbacks mechanism and Prolog JPL library

HeaRT architecture



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- the verification framework for XTT^2 model
- consists of several PROLOG-based plugins

Features

- it has a simple debugging mechanism
- allows for export entire model to LaTeX
- it supports syntactic analysis of HMR using a DCG grammar
- **it provides logical verification of models:** completeness, determinism and redundancy
- it can be run from the interpreter or indirectly from HQEd using the communication protocol

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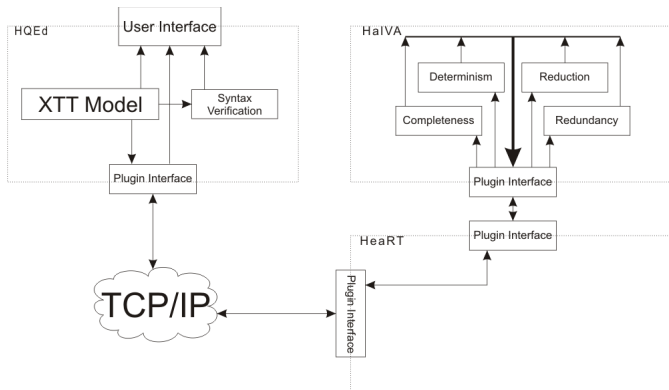
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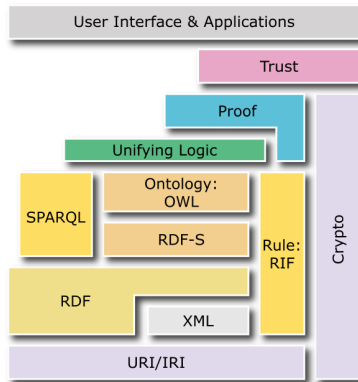
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SemWeb Architecture (a.k.a. "layer cake")

- application interface
- safety
- rules, logic (SWRL, RIF, ...)
- ontologies (RDFS, OWL)
- metadata (RDF)
- serialization (XML)
- resource identification (URI)



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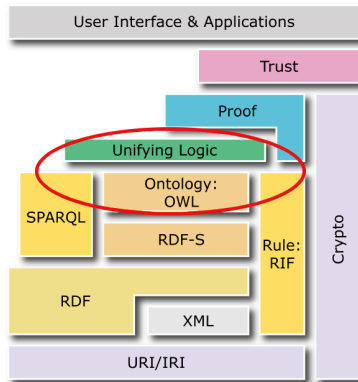
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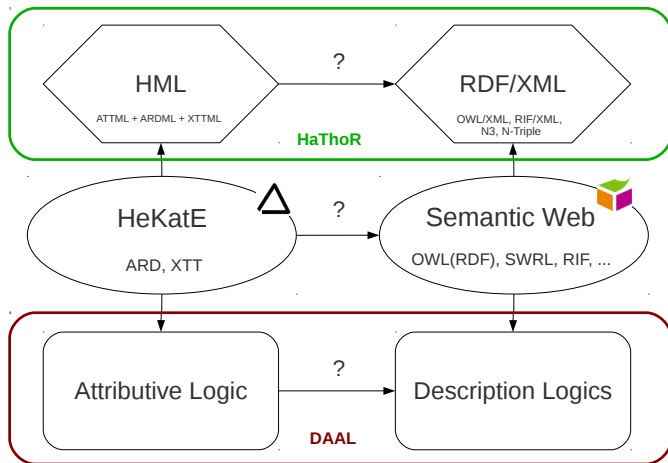
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Motivation and challenges for integration

Motivation

- Expressive rule language for the Semantic Web applications
- Visual rule design support
- Methodology for a rule base design, not only single rules
- Formal verification and validation

Integration challenges

- ALSV(FD) – dynamic changes of a system, DL – terminological structural knowledge
- CWA in ALSV(FD), OWA in DL
- UNA in ALSV(FD)
- nonmonotonicity in ALSV(FD), no *assert/retract* functions in DL

DAAL Approach

Observation

- KR HeKatE based on Attributive Logic
- Ontologies based on Description Logics

Let's understand the foundations and how they are related

Research track

- Analysis of knowledge representation in
 - Attributive Logic
 - Description Logics
- Mapping proposal

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Description And Attributive Logics (DAAL)

1 Conceptual modelling: attributes in AL, concepts in DL

Attr. Name	Attr. Domain	Concept Constructors
A_i	D_i	$A_i \equiv D_i$
	$D = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$	$D \equiv \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$

2 Rule formulas – DL axioms

AL Formula	DL Axiom	AL Formula	DL Axiom
$A_i = d$	$A_i \equiv \{d\}$	$A_i \neq d$	$A_i \equiv \neg\{d\}$
$A_i \in V_i$	$A_i \equiv V_i$	$A_i \notin V_i$	$A_i \equiv \neg V_i$

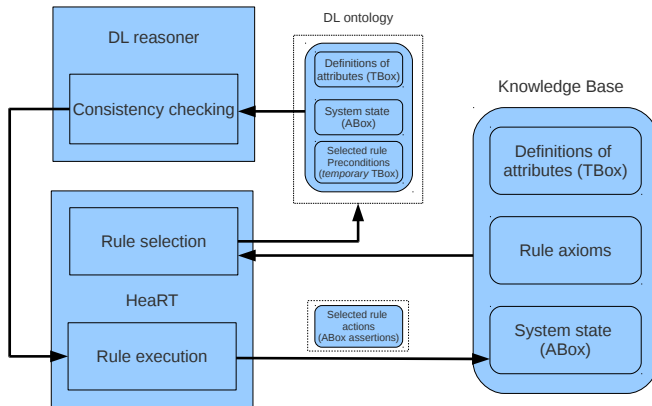
3 State representation – World description

Attr. Type	AL Formula	DL Assertion
simple	$A_i := d_i$	$A(d)$
generalized	$A_i := V_i,$ $V_i = \{v_{i1}, \dots, v_{in}\}$	$A(v_{i1}).A_i(v_{i2}).\dots.A_i(v_{in})$

4 Reasoning – consistency checking of temporary ontologies (rule preconditions + system state)

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Hybrid system: HeaRT engine + DL reasoner



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HaThoR Approach

Observation

- HeKatE Markup Language
- RDF/XML syntax for ontologies

How to translate one format to the other?

Research track

- Analysis of serialization formats
- XSLT translators from HML to RDF/XML
- HaThoR 2 Online:
<http://home.agh.edu.pl/wtf/onto/hathor2/www>

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HeKatE Translator (HaThoR)

- 1 Attributes \leftrightarrow instances
- 2 Class constraints: datatype properties for types and object properties linking attributes and types

Attributive Logic		Description Logic
Attr. Name	Attr. Domain	DL Axioms
A_i	D_i $D_i = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$	$Type(T_i), Attribute(A_i)$ $attHasType(A_i, T_i),$ $domainOfT_i(T_i, D_i)$

- 3 State: role assertions

Attributive Logic		Description Logic
Attribute Type	Formula	Assertion in ABox
simple	$A_i := d_j$	$attTakesValue(A_i, d_j)$
generalized	$A_i := V_j$	$attTakesValue(A_i, v_1), \dots$ $\dots, attTakesValue(A_i, v_n)$

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SWRLTab in Protégé

The screenshot shows the Protégé SWRL Rules editor. The main window displays a list of SWRL rules with columns for 'Enabled', 'Name', and 'Expression'. The 'tab_3_rul_2' rule is selected and highlighted in red. Below the list, the 'SWRLTab' interface is visible, showing options for 'Individuals', 'Axioms', 'Inferred Individuals', 'Inferred Axioms', 'Rules', 'Classes', and 'Property Assertion Axioms'. The 'Rules' tab is active, displaying a message about the successful conversion of SWRL rules to Jess knowledge and providing instructions for running the Jess rule engine.

Enabled	Name	Expression
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_5...	attTakesValue(att_9, "April") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Autumn")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_5...	attTakesValue(att_9, "March") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Autumn")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_5...	attTakesValue(att_9, "May") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Autumn")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_6...	attTakesValue(att_9, "August") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Winter")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_6...	attTakesValue(att_9, "July") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Winter")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_6...	attTakesValue(att_9, "June") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Winter")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_8...	attTakesValue(att_9, "November") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Spring")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_8...	attTakesValue(att_9, "October") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Spring")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_2_rul_8...	attTakesValue(att_9, "September") → attTakesValue(att_6, "Spring")
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_3_rul_2	attTakesValue(att_8, ?var_att_8) ∧ swrlb:greaterThanOrEqual(?var_att_8, "Tuesday") ∧ swrlb:lessThanOr...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tab_3_rul_9...	attTakesValue(att_8, "Saturday") → attTakesValue(att_10, "weekend")

SWRL rule and relevant OWL knowledge successfully converted to Jess knowledge.
 Number of SWRL rules exported to Jess: 27
 Number of OWL classes exported to Jess: 2
 Number of OWL individuals exported to Jess: 7
 Number of OWL axioms exported to Jess: 0
 Look at the "Jess Rules" tab for the Jess rules.
 Look at the "Imported Jess Classes" tab for the Jess class definitions.
 Look at the "Imported Jess Properties" tab for the Jess property assertions.
 Look at the "Imported Jess Individuals" tab for the Jess individual assertions.
 Press the "Run Jess" button to run the Jess rule engine.

Buttons: OWL+SWRL->Jess, Run Jess, Jess->OWL

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Motivation

Overcome limitations of ARD:

- allow to specify different classes of functional dependencies,
- provide more expressive means for the history description,
- allow to build a single coherent model combining both functional dependencies and history information.

Idea

Use an ontology to capture the functional dependencies present in the main ARD diagram and history information captured in the TPH.

Design Process Ontology

DPO is a proposal of a *task ontology*. Its aim is to capture the system characteristics together with dependencies among them, as well as represent the gradual refinement of the design process.

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DPO Concepts

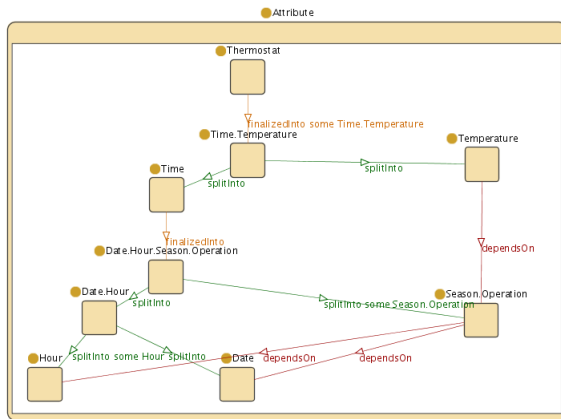
Main classes and properties

- a general class *Attribute*
- 4 properties,
 - `dependsOn` – *functional dependencies*
 - `transformedInto`, `splitInto` and `finalizedInto` – the design process transformations.

DPO for concrete tasks

DPO may be specialized by concrete ontologies for specific design tasks. In this case system characteristics subclass the *Attribute* class. The properties may be specialized accordingly.

Simple DPO in OWL designed in Protegé



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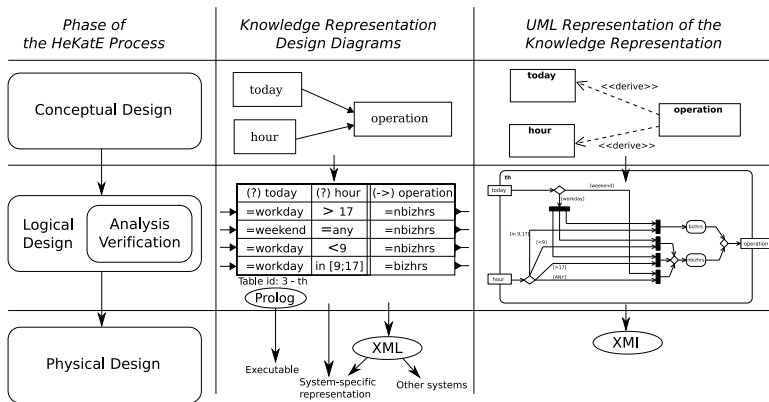
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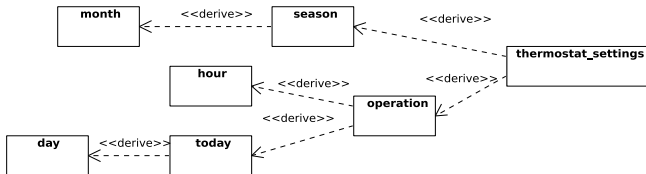
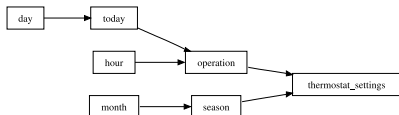
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An example of ARD diagram and its UML representation



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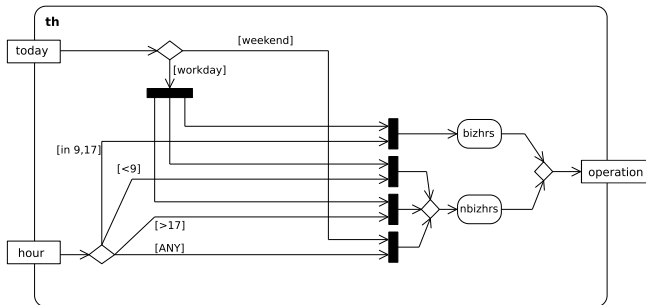
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An example of XTT table and its UML representation

(?) today	(?) hour	(->) operation
=workday	> 17	=nbizhrs
=weekend	=any	=nbizhrs
=workday	<9	=bizhrs
=workday	in [9;17]	=bizhrs

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Metamodel for UML representation of ARD

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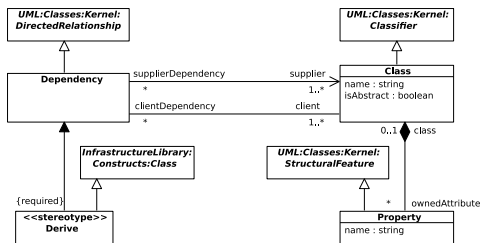
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Example of the OCL constraints
for Class:

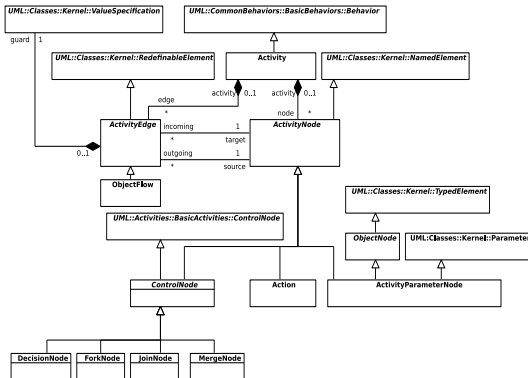
```
context Class
```

```
inv:
```

```
Class.allInstances()->one( c |
  c.isAbstract = false
  and
  c.association->size() = 0
)
```

```
self.name = self.name.toLower() implies
self.supplierDependency->size() = 0
and self.association->size() = 0
```

Metamodel for UML representation of XTT



Example of the OCL constraints for *ActivityParameterNode*:

```

context ActivityParameterNode
inv:

self.incoming->forall( edge |
edge.source.ocIsTypeOf(MergeNode)
xor
edge.source.ocIsKindOf(Action)
)

self.outgoing->forall( edge |
edge.target.
ocIsTypeOf(DecisionNode)
)
  
```


Summary

The proposed representation:

- provides two abstraction levels (tables and system)
- does not introduce new artifacts or extend the UML language
- shows both structure of dependencies and behaviour of the system (rule processing)

The proposed solution:

- provides XMI serialization
- provides translation between UML representation (XMI) and HeKatE project representation (HML)

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