Datalog$^{\pm}$: A Unifying Framework for Ontological Reasoning and Query Answering

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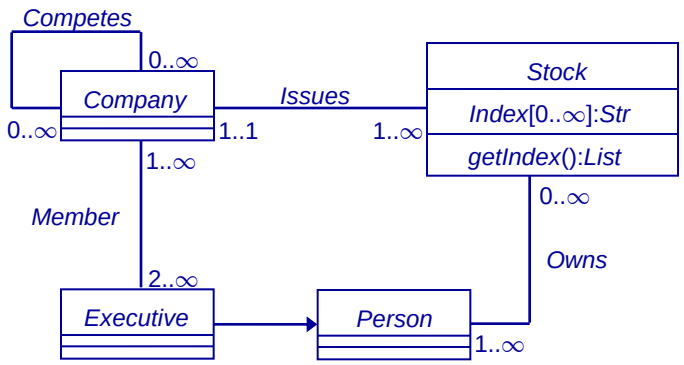
The Need for Querying Ontologies



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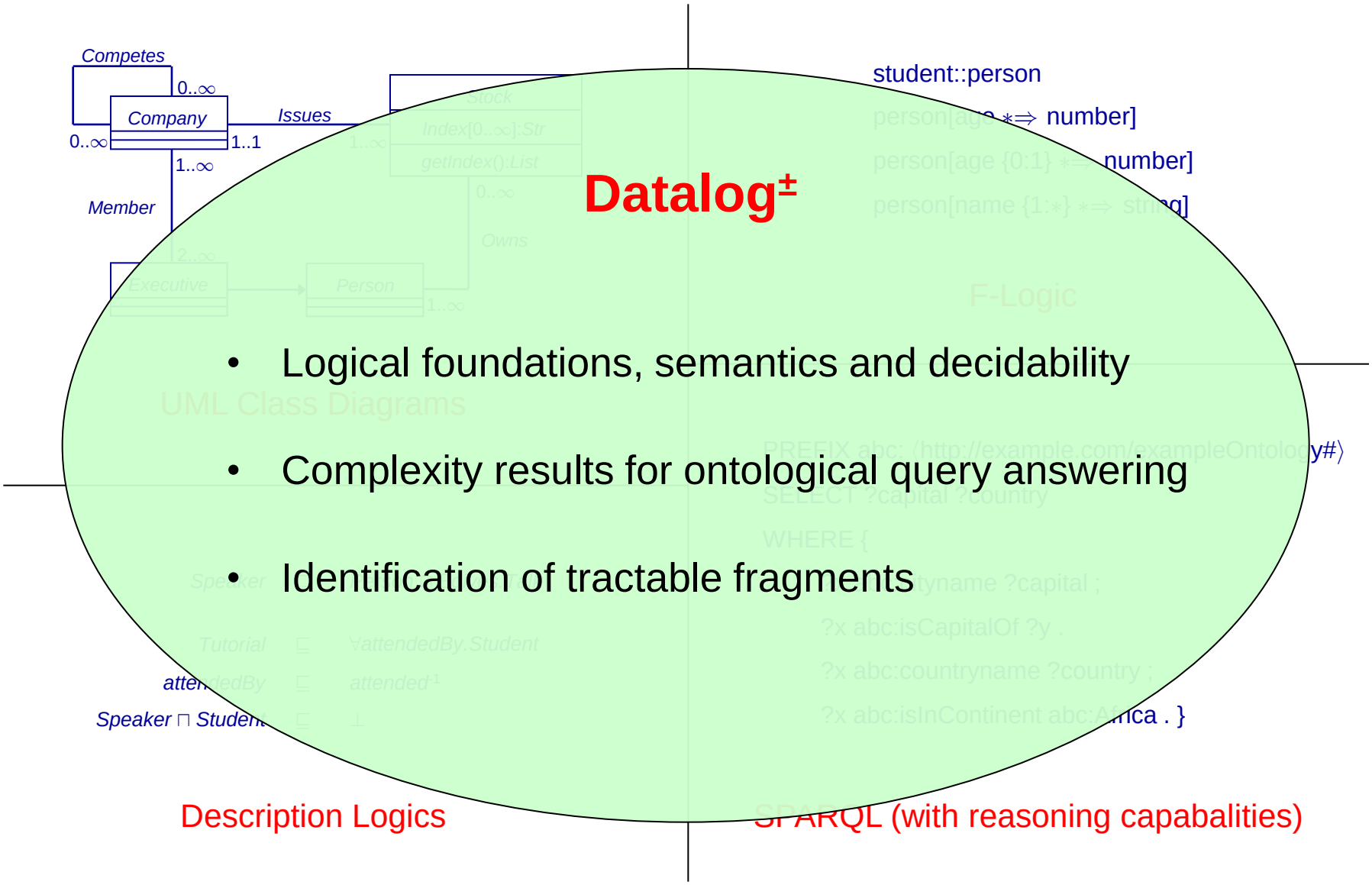


Datalog±

- Logical foundations, semantics and decidability
- Complexity results for ontological query answering
- Identification of tractable fragments

The Datalog$^{\pm}$ Family

- Datalog: $\forall X \forall Y\ \mathit{fatherOf}(X,Y) \wedge \mathit{person}(Y) \rightarrow \mathit{person}(X)$

- Extend Datalog by allowing in the head:

  Existential quantification (TGDs) – $\forall X\ \mathit{person}(X) \rightarrow \exists Y\ \mathit{fatherOf}(Y,X) \wedge \mathit{person}(Y)$

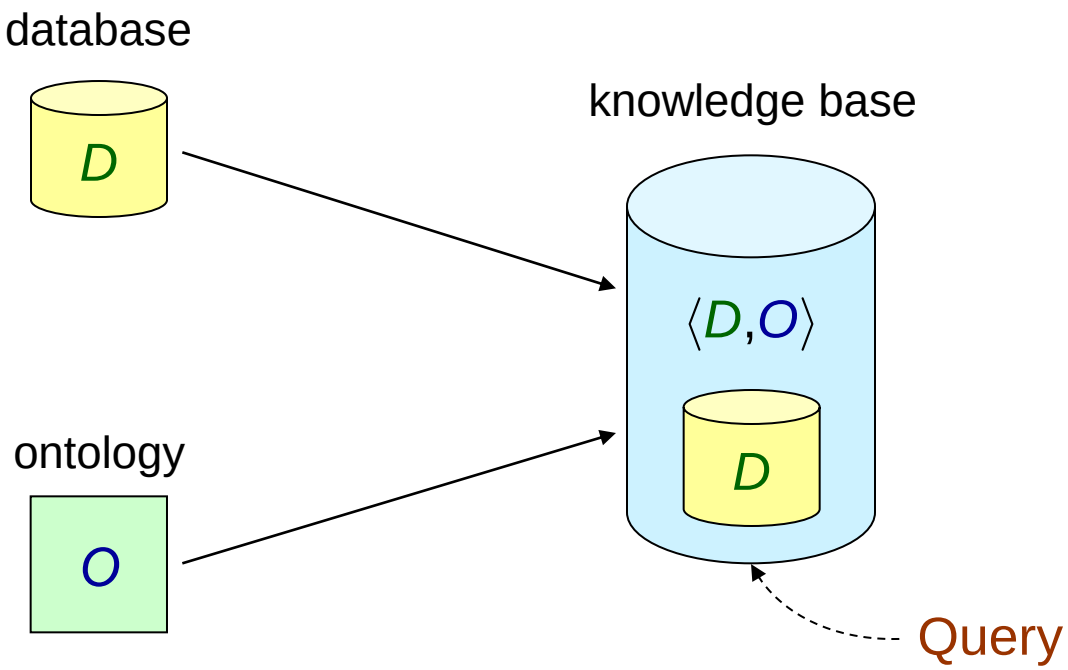
  Equality predicate (EGDs) – $\forall X \forall Y \forall Z\ \mathit{fatherOf}(Y,X) \wedge \mathit{fatherOf}(Z,X) \rightarrow Y = Z$

  Constant false (Negative Constraints) – $\forall X \forall Y\ \mathit{fatherOf}(Y,X) \wedge \mathit{motherOf}(Y,X) \rightarrow \bot$

- But query answering under Datalog[$\exists$] is already undecidable
  see, e.g., [Beeri & Vardi, ICALP 1981] and [Calì, G. & Kifer, KR 2008]

- Datalog[$\exists$,=,$\bot$] is syntactically restricted $\rightarrow$ **Datalog$^{\pm}$**

Ontological Query Answering



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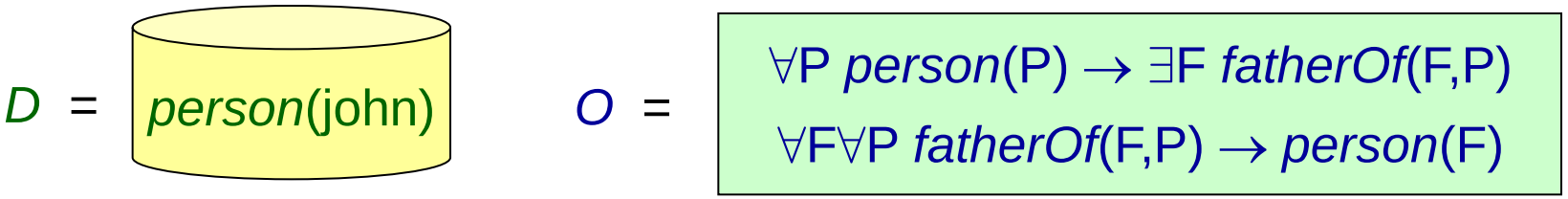
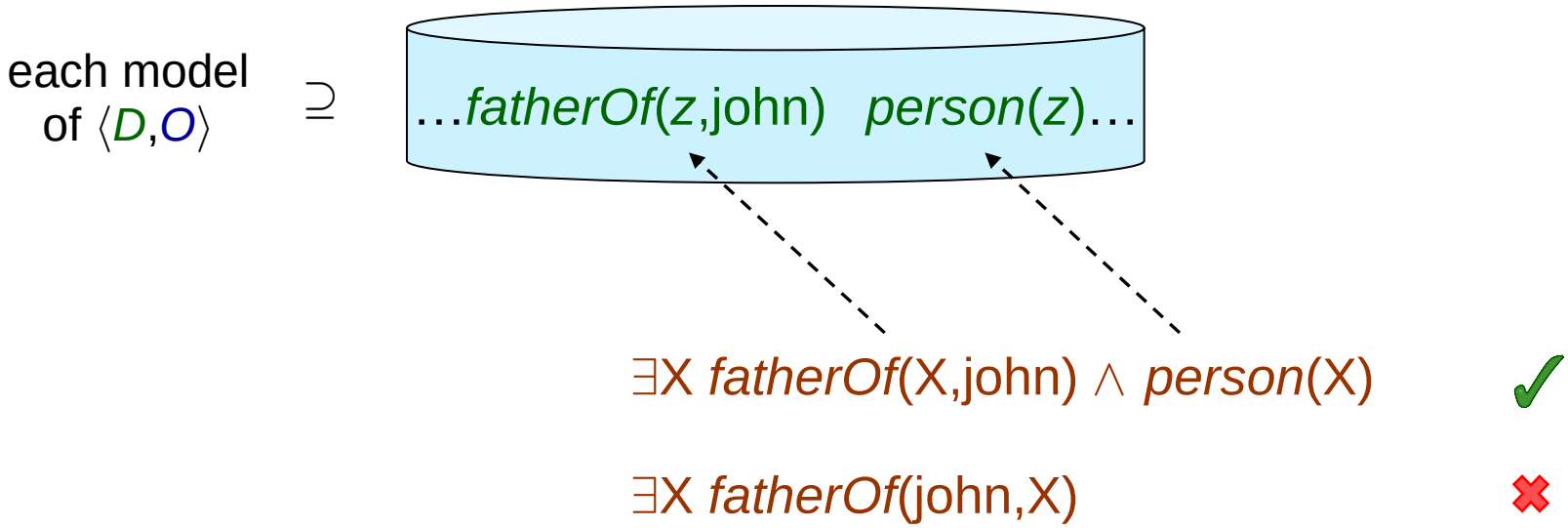




Decidable Languages

- Guarded Datalog[∃]
- Linear Datalog[∃]
- Sticky Datalog[∃]

Guarded Datalog[∃]

- All ∀-variables occur in one body atom – guard atom

$$\forall E \forall D\ employee(E) \wedge managerOf(E,D) \rightarrow \exists F\ supervisorOf(E,F)$$

guard

- Models of finite treewidth $\Rightarrow$ decidability of query answering

[Calì, G. & Kifer, KR 2008, JAIR 2013] related to [Andréka, Németi & van Benthem, J. Philosophical Logic 1998] and [Grädel, J. Symb. Log. 1999]

- Query answering is PTIME-complete in data complexity

[Calì, G. & Kifer, KR 2008, JAIR 2013]

Linear Datalog[∃]

- Rules with just one body-atom

$$\forall E\ supervisorOf(E,E) \rightarrow \exists D\ managerOf(E,D)$$

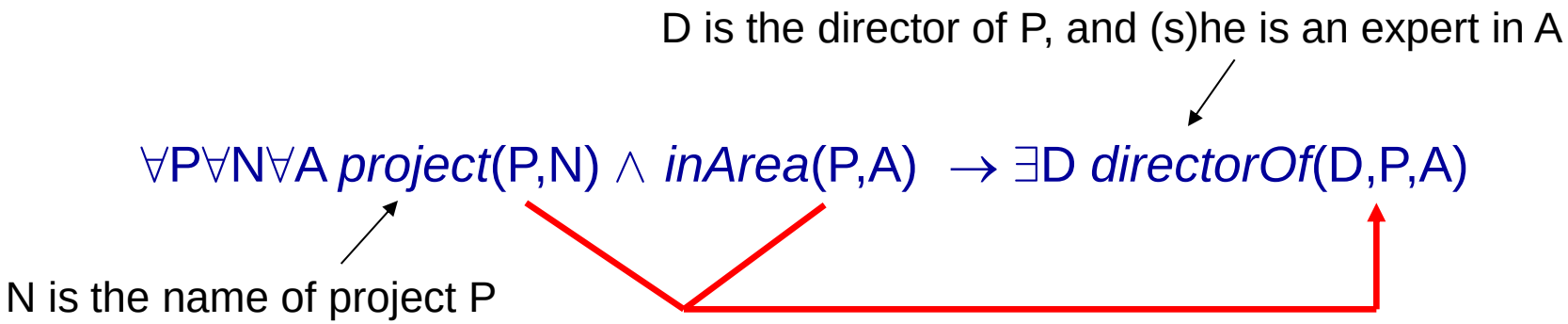
- Query answering is first-order rewritable

- Same data complexity as plain SQL queries (in AC_0)

[Calì, G. & Lukasiewicz, J. Web. Sem. 2012]

Sticky Datalog[∃]

- Join-variables "stick" to the inferred atoms



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Datalog[∃,=,⊥]

- Every decidable Datalog[∃] language can be enriched with:
  - Non-Conflicting EGDs – no interaction with TGDs

$$\forall X \forall Y \forall Z \; \mathit{fatherOf}(Y,X) \wedge \mathit{fatherOf}(Z,X) \rightarrow Y = Z$$

  - Negative constraints

$$\forall X \forall Y \; \mathit{fatherOf}(Y,X) \wedge \mathit{motherOf}(Y,X) \rightarrow \bot$$

- The complexity of query answering remains the same

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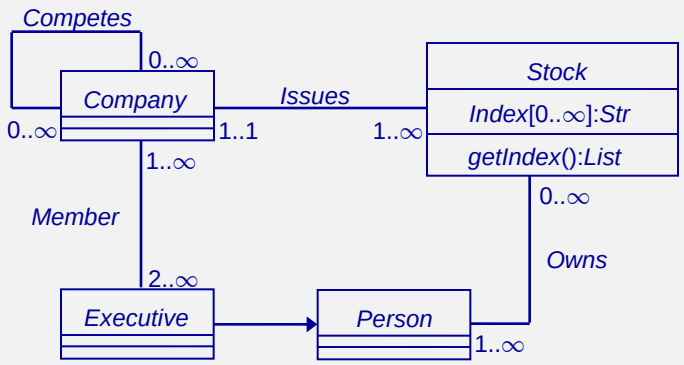

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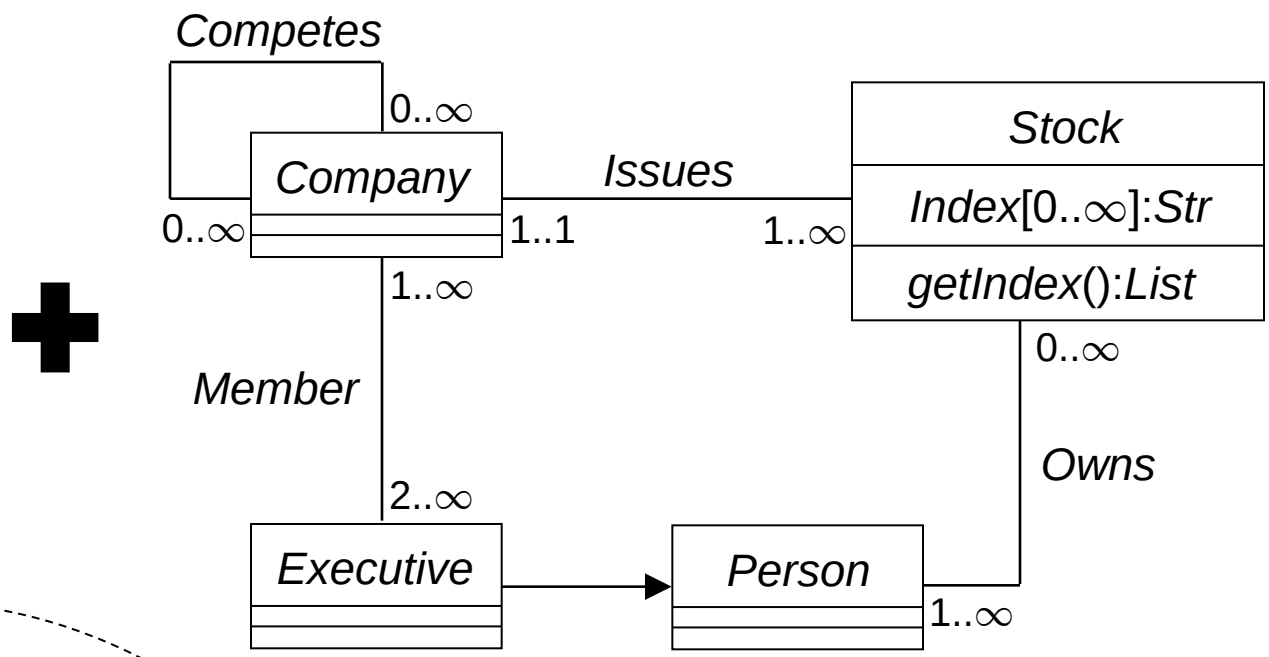

Does anybody have a potential conflict of interest?

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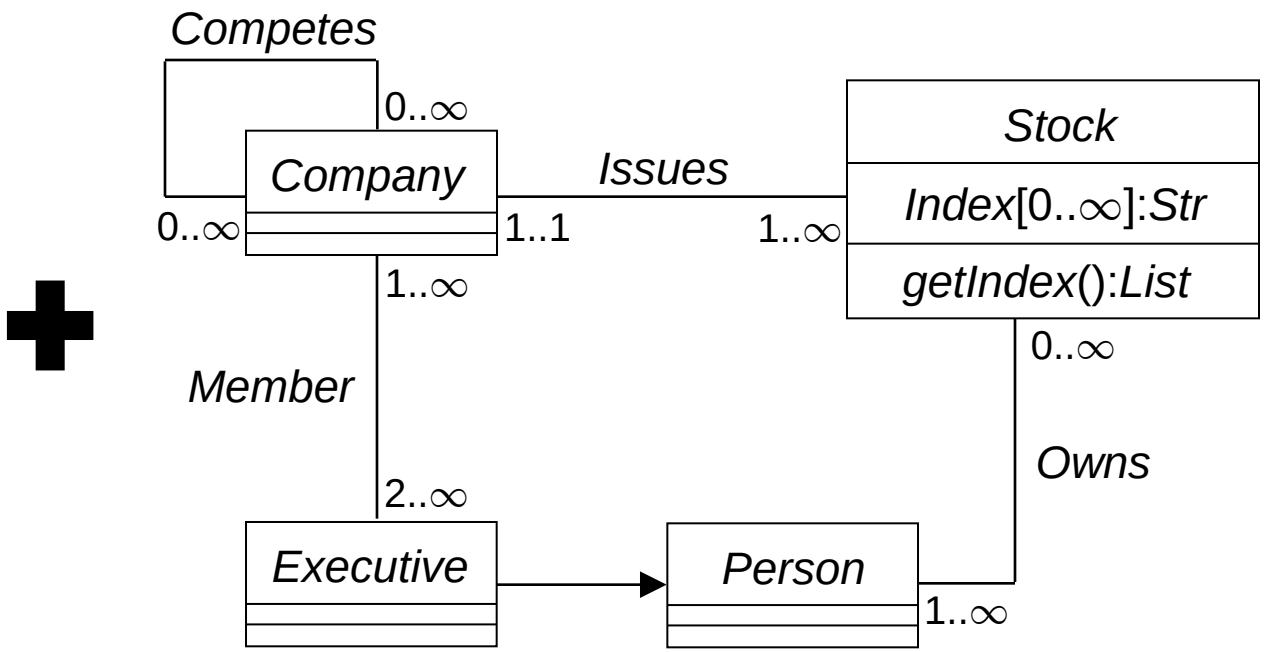

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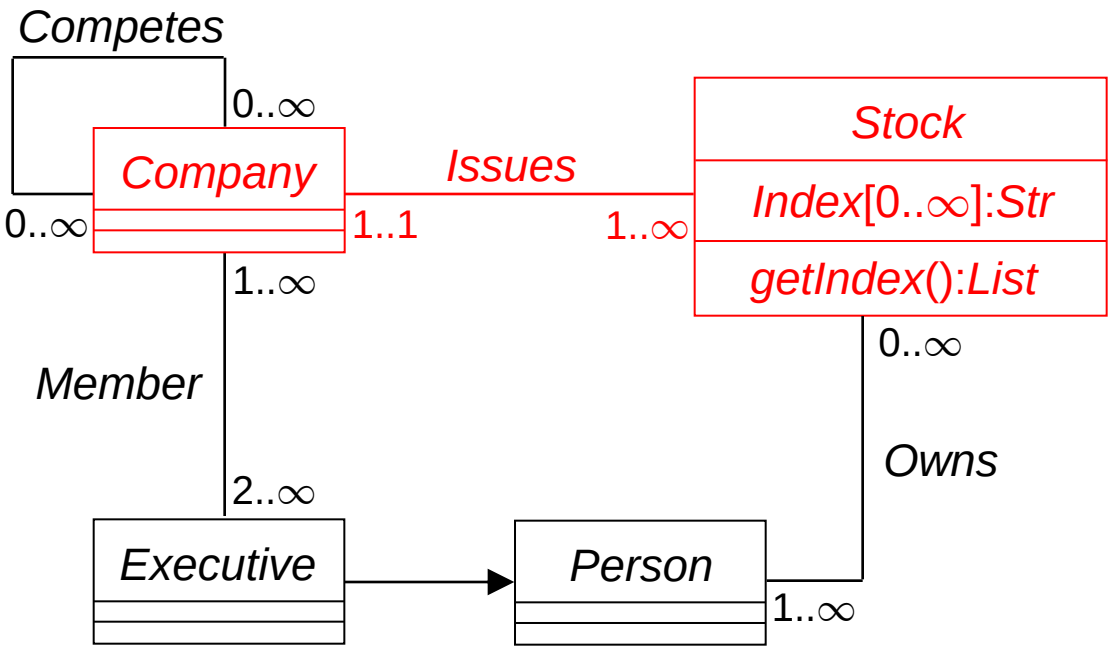

$\forall X\ Company(X) \rightarrow \exists Y\ Issues(X,Y)$

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$\forall X \forall Y \forall Z\ Stock(X) \wedge Issues(Y,X) \wedge Issues(Z,X) \rightarrow Y = Z$

$\forall X \forall Y\ Stock(X) \wedge Index(X,Y) \rightarrow Str(Y)$

$\forall X \forall Y\ Stock(X) \wedge getIndex(X,Y) \rightarrow List(Y)$

[Berardi et al., Artif. Intell. 2005]

Lean UML Class Diagrams as Guarded Rules

$\forall X \forall Y \; C(X) \wedge Attr(X,Y) \rightarrow T(Y)$

$\forall X \; C(X) \rightarrow \exists Y_1 \ldots \exists Y_n \; Attr(X,Y_1) \wedge \ldots \wedge Attr(X,Y_n)$

$\forall X \; C_1(X) \rightarrow C_2(X)$

classes

$\forall X_1 \forall X_2 \; A(X_1,X_2) \rightarrow C_1(X_1) \wedge C_2(X_2)$

$\forall X_1 \forall X_2 \forall Y \; A(X_1,X_2) \wedge glue(X_1,X_2,Y) \rightarrow C_A(Y)$

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associations

$\forall X \; C_1(X) \wedge \ldots \wedge C_n(X) \rightarrow C(X)$

$\forall X \forall Y \; C(X) \wedge Attr(Y,X) \rightarrow T(Y)$

additional constraints

[Calì, G., Orsi & Pieris, FOSSACS 2012]

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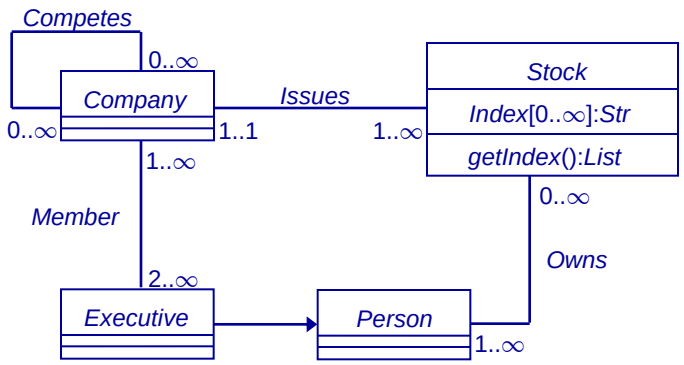

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The DL-Lite Family

Popular family of DLs with AC_0 data complexity

DL-Lite TBox	First-Order Representation (Datalog$^{\pm}$)
DL-Lite$_{core}$	
$professor \sqsubseteq \exists teachesTo$	$\forall X\ professor(X) \rightarrow \exists Y\ teachesTo(X,Y)$
$professor \sqsubseteq \neg student$	$\forall X\ professor(X) \wedge student(X) \rightarrow \bot$
DL-Lite$_R$ (OWL 2 QL)	
$hasTutor^- \sqsubseteq teachesTo$	$\forall X \forall Y\ hasTutor(X,Y) \rightarrow teachesTo(Y,X)$
DL-Lite$_F$	
funct(*hasTutor*)	$\forall X \forall Y \forall Z\ hasTutor(X,Y) \wedge hasTutor(X,Z) \rightarrow Y = Z$

[Calvanese, De Giacomo, Lembo, Lenzerini & Rosati, J. Autom. Reasoning 2007]

The $\mathcal{EL}$ Family

Popular family of DLs with PTIME data complexity (OWL 2 EL)

$\mathcal{ELHI}^{\neg}$ TBox	First-Order Representation (Datalog$^{\pm}$)
$A \sqcap B \sqsubseteq C$	$\forall X \; A(X) \wedge B(X) \rightarrow C(X)$
$A \sqsubseteq \exists R$	$\forall X \; A(X) \rightarrow \exists Y \; R(X,Y)$
$A \sqsubseteq \exists R.B$	$\forall X \; A(X) \rightarrow \exists Y \; R(X,Y) \wedge B(Y)$
$\exists R \sqsubseteq A$	$\forall X \forall Y \; R(X,Y) \rightarrow A(X)$
$\exists R.A \sqsubseteq B$	$\forall X \forall Y \; R(X,Y) \wedge A(X) \rightarrow B(X)$
$A \sqsubseteq \neg B$	$\forall X \; A(X) \wedge B(X) \rightarrow \bot$
$R \sqsubseteq \neg P$	$\forall X \forall Y \; R(X,Y) \wedge P(X,Y) \rightarrow \bot$

see, e.g., [Baader, IJCAI 2003], [Rosati, DL 2007] and [Pérez-Urbina et al., J. Applied Logic 2010]

DLs vs. Datalog[∃,=,⊥]

- **Theorem:** For query answering,

  DL-Lite $\leq_L$ Linear and Sticky

  $\mathcal{ELHI}^{\neg}$ $\leq_L$ Guarded

- **Theorem**: Guarded/Linear/Sticky are strictly more expressive

  $\forall E\ ceo(E) \rightarrow managerOf(E,E)$

  $\forall E\ supervisorOf(E,E) \rightarrow \exists D\ managerOf(E,D)$

- **Remark:** the data complexity is preserved

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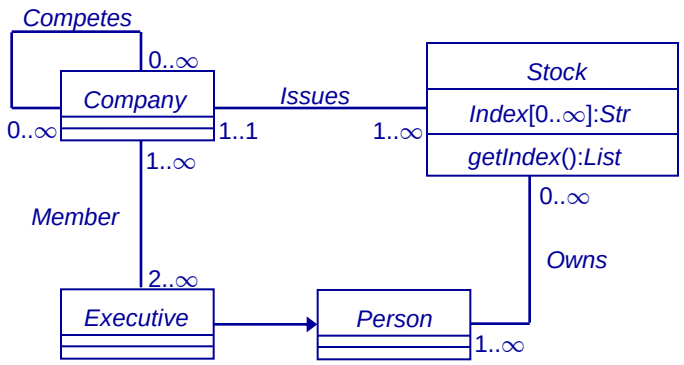

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$type(O,A,T) \wedge data(O,A,V) \rightarrow member(V,T)$

$sub(C_1,C_3) \wedge sub(C_3,C_2) \rightarrow sub(C_1,C_2)$

$member(O,C) \wedge sub(C,C_1) \rightarrow member(O,C_1)$

$data(O,A,V) \wedge data(O,A,W), funct(A,O) \rightarrow V = W$

$mandatory(A,O) \rightarrow \exists V\ data(O,A,V)$

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[Calì & Kifer, VLDB 2006]

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Non-guarded rules!

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More expressive

Datalog[$\exists$] language?

[Calì & Kifer, VLDB 2006]

Weakly-Guarded Datalog[∃]

- All ∀-variables at affected positions occur in one body atom

unify with an ∃-position or an affected position

- Models of finite treewidth ⇒ decidability of query answering

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- Query answering is EXPTIME-complete in data complexity – PTIME-complete if the Polynomial Cloud Criterion (PCC) holds

[Calì, G. & Kifer, KR 2008]

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Affected Positions

data[1]

data[3]

type[1]

member[1]

mandatory[2]

funct[2]

the PCC holds

[Calì & Kifer, VLDB 2006]

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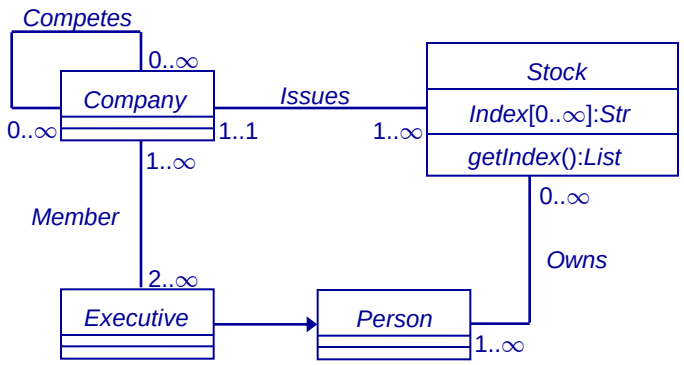

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SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language

- RDF – data model for representing information in the Web

- … in fact, is a finite set of triples (*subject*, *predicate*, *object*) – or a relational database for the schema {*triple*(.,.,.)}

- SPARQL – the standard language for querying RDF data

Some SPARQL Queries

- *P* = (?X, name, ?Y) – list of pairs (o_1,o_2) such as o_2 is the name of o_1

- *P* = (?X, name, B) – list of elements that have a name

- *P* = (?X, name, ?Y) OPT (?X, phone, ?Y) – for every subject *o*, return *o*, the name of *o,* and the phone number of *o*, if the phone number is available; otherwise, return *o* and its name

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list of individuals with phone number

$\forall X \forall Y\ triple(X,name,Y) \wedge triple(X,phone,Z) \rightarrow P(X,Y,Z) \wedge compatible(Z)$

the third argument (i.e., the phone no.) is missing

$\forall X \forall Y\ triple(X,name,Y) \wedge \neg compatible(X) \rightarrow P'(X,Y)$

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From SPARQL to First-Order Logic (Datalog$^{\pm}$)

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Stratified Weakly-Guarded Datalog[$\exists,\neg,\bot$]

Additional Functionalities

- Reasoning capabilities – deal with RDFS and OWL vocabularies
- Navigational capabilities – exploit the graph structure of RDF data
- General form of recursion – express natural queries

Theorem: Stratified weakly-guarded Datalog[$\exists$,$\neg$,$\bot$] is strictly more expressive than SPARQL enriched with the above functionalities (under the the OWL 2 QL and OWL 2 RL profiles of OWL 2)

Overview

Formalism	Datalog$^{\pm}$ Language
Lean UML Class Diagrams	Guarded Datalog[$\exists$,=,$\bot$]
DL-Lite (OWL 2 QL)	Linear and Sticky Datalog[$\exists$,=,$\bot$]
$\mathcal{ELHI}^{\neg}$ (OWL 2 EL)	Guarded Datalog[$\exists$,$\bot$]
F-Logic Lite	Weakly-Guarded Datalog[$\exists$,=] + PCC
SPARQL (with additional features)	Stratified Weakly-Guarded Datalog[$\exists$,$\neg$,$\bot$]

Implementation

- **IRIS$^{\pm}$** – Query rewriting engine for Linear and Sticky Datalog[$\exists$]
  - Developed at the University of Oxford
  - Several effective optimizations towards compact rewritings
  - Supports parallel rewriting
  - Database execution via SQL rewriting
  - Fully open source – https://bitbucket.org/giorsi/nyaya

Other Engines for Datalog$^{\pm}$

- ALASKA – Query rewriting engine for Linear and Sticky Datalog[$\exists$]
  - Developed at the University of Montpellier

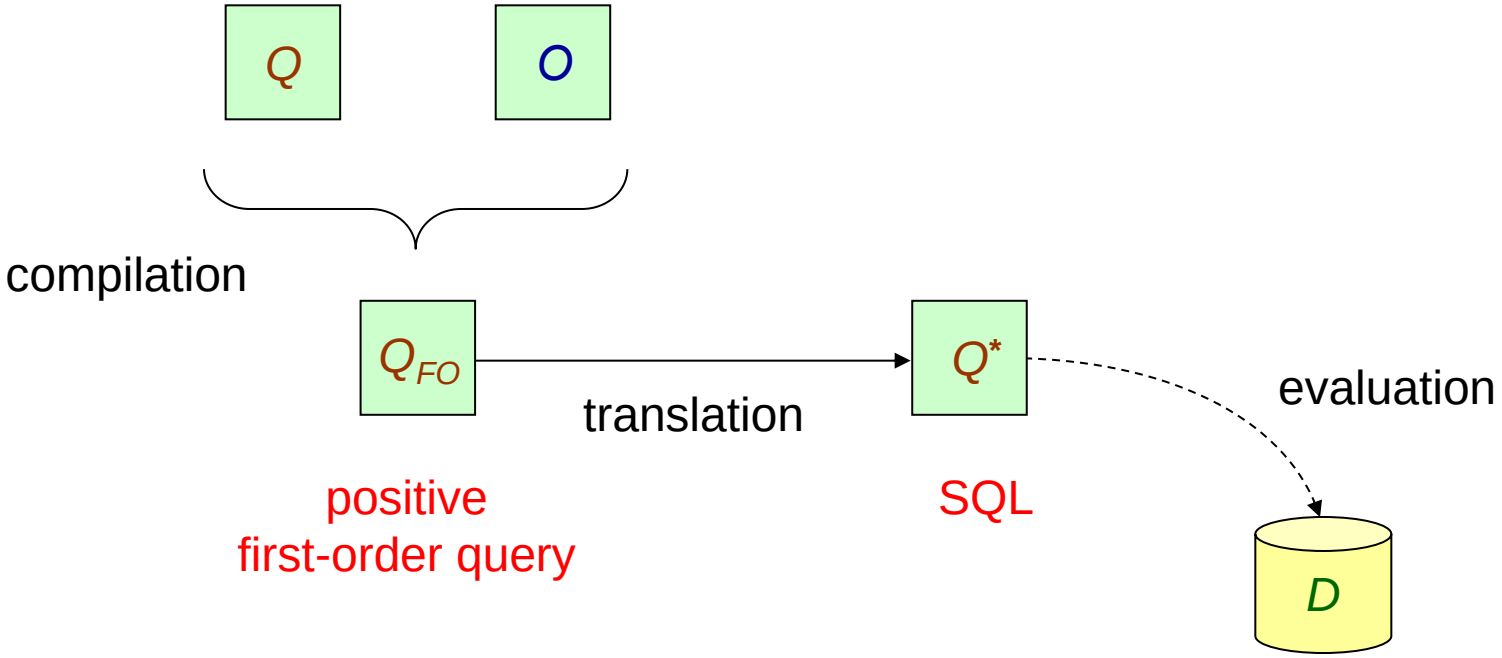
a language which captures Linear Datalog[$\exists$] and plain Datalog

- DLV$^{\exists}$ – Query answering engine for Shy Datalog[$\exists$]
  - Developed at the University of Calabria
  - Extension of the DLV engine

Thank you!

APPENDIX

First-Order Rewritability

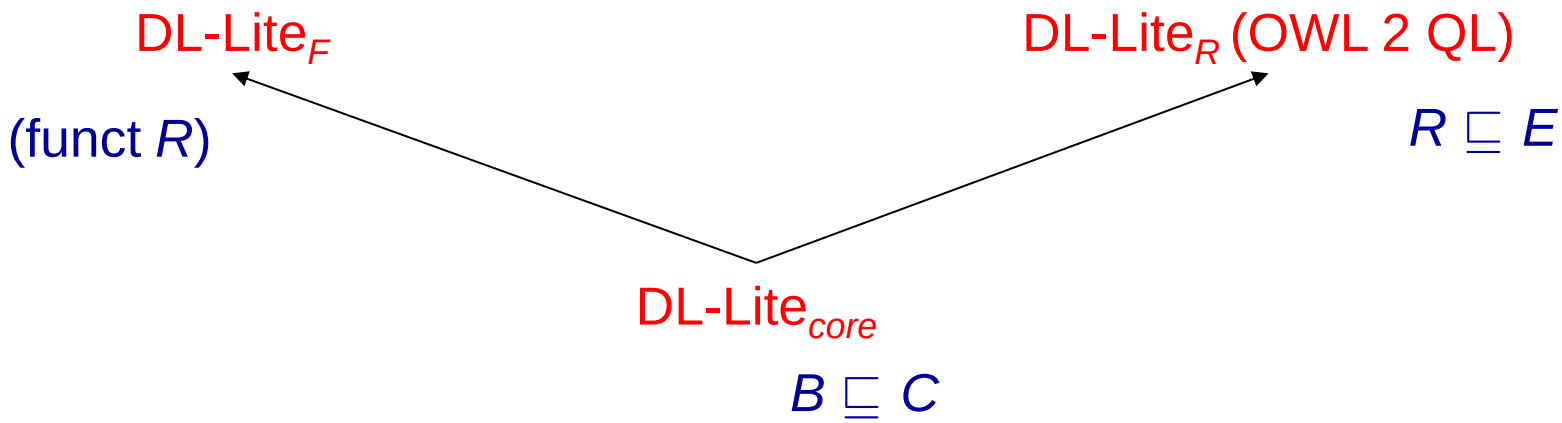


$$\forall D\ (D \cup O \models Q \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad D \models Q^*)$$

Query answering is in AC_0 in data complexity

The DL-Lite Family

Popular family of DLs with AC_0 data complexity

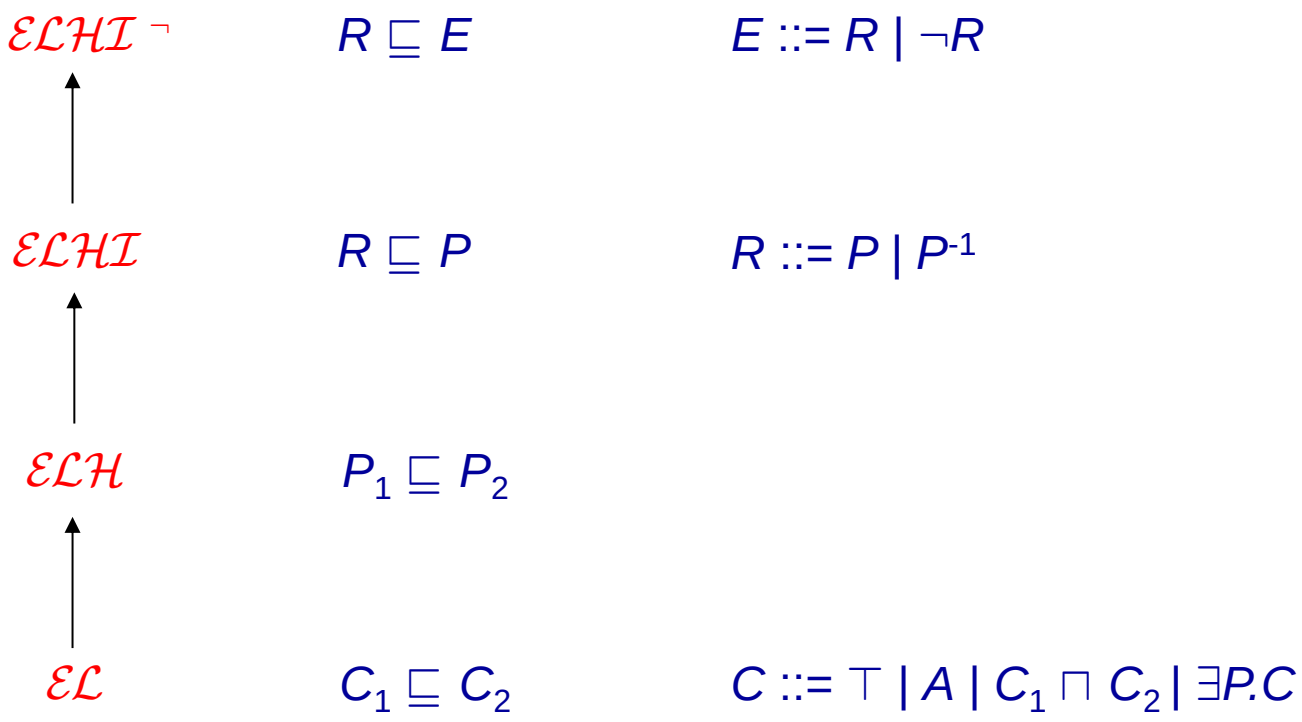


B	::=	$A \mid \exists R \mid \exists R^{-1}$	(basic concept)
C	::=	$B \mid \neg B$	(general concept)
R	::=	$P \mid P^{-1}$	(basic role)
E	::=	$R \mid \neg R$	(general role)

[Calvanese, De Giacomo, Lembo, Lenzerini & Rosati, J. Autom. Reasoning 2007]

The $\mathcal{EL}$ Family

Popular family of DLs with PTIME data complexity (OWL 2 EL)



see, e.g., [Baader, IJCAI 2003], [Rosati, DL 2007] and [Pérez-Urbina et al., J. Applied Logic 2010]

Weakly-Guarded Datalog[∃]

- All ∀-variables at affected positions occur in one body atom

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during the chase

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Frame Logic (F-Logic)

- Originally developed for object-oriented deductive databases
- Now used as an ontology language – Semantic Web
- F-Logic is in general undecidable

see, e.g., [Kifer, Lausen & Wu, J. ACM 1995]

F-Logic Lite

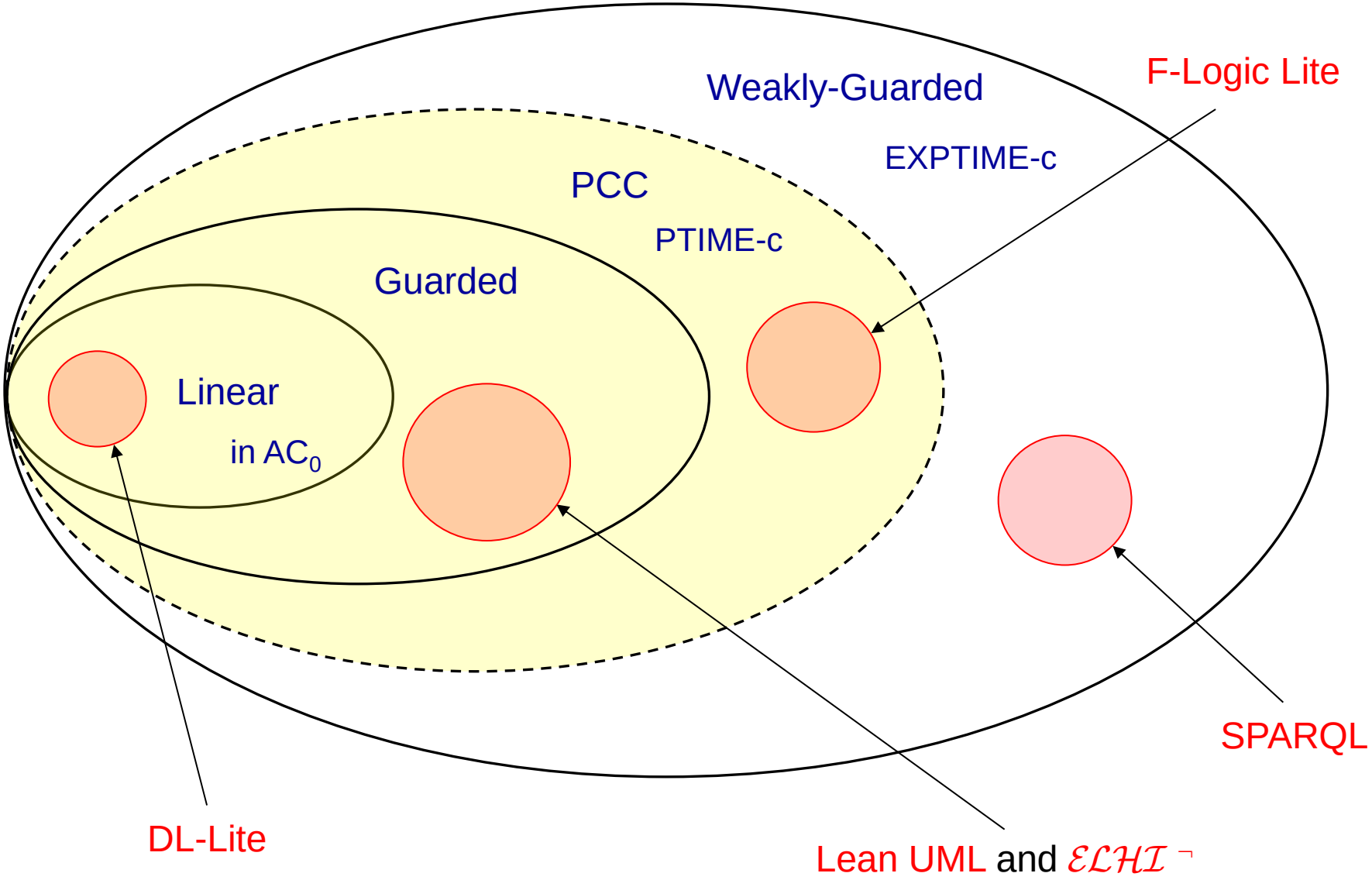
- An expressive decidable fragment of F-Logic

- Obtained from F-Logic by:
  - Excluding negation and default inheritance
  - Allowing only a limited form of cardinality constraints

- Query answering is PTIME-complete in data complexity

[Calì & Kifer, VLDB 2006]

Overview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Lean UML and $\mathcal{ELHI}^{\neg}$

Complexity of Datalog[∃,=,¬,⊥]

	Linear	Guarded	Weakly-Guarded	
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Arbitrary Query	NP-c	NP-c	EXPTIME-c	Fixed Program
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Data Complexity

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Polynomial Cloud Criterion