

OWL 2

Web Ontology Language

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Introduction

- OWL 2 extends OWL 1.1 and is backward compatible with it
- The new features of OWL 2 based on real applications, use cases and user experience
- Adopted as a W3C recommendation in December 2009
- All new features were justified by use cases and examples
- Most OWL software supports OWL now

Features and Rationale

- Syntactic sugar
- New constructs for properties
- Extended datatypes
- Punning
- Extended annotations
- Some innovations
- Minor features

Syntactic Sugar

- OWL 2 adds features that
 - Don't change expressiveness, semantics, complexity
 - Makes some patterns easier to write
 - Allowing more efficient processing in reasoners
- New features include:
 - DisjointClasses
 - DisjointUnion
 - NegativeObjectPropertyAssertion
 - NegativeDataPropertyAssertion

Syntactic sugar: `disJointClasses`

- It's common to want to assert that a set of classes are pairwise disjoint
 - No individual can be an instance of 2 of the classes in the set
- Faculty, staff and students are all disjoint
 - [a owl:allDisjointClasses;
owlmembers (:faculty :staff :students)]
- In OWL 1.1 we'd have to make three assertions
 - :faculty owl:disjointWith :staff
 - :faculty owl:disjointWith :student
 - :staff owl:disjointWith :staff
- Will be cumbersome for large sets

Syntactic sugar: disJointUnion

- Need for disjointUnion construct

– A *:CarDoor* is exclusively either

- a *:FrontDoor*, a *:RearDoor* or a *:TrunkDoor*

- and not more than one of them



- In OWL 2

`:CarDoor a owl:disjointUnionOf (:FrontDoor :RearDoor :TrunkDoor).`

- In OWL 1.1

`:CarDoor owl:unionOf (:FrontDoor :RearDoor :TrunkDoor).`

`:FrontDoor owl:disjointWith :RearDoor .`

`:FrontDoor owl:disjointWith :TrunkDoor .`

`:RearDoor owl:disjointWith :TrunkDoor .`

Syntactic sugar: disJointUnion

- It's common for a concept to have more than one decomposition into disjoint union sets
- E.g.: every person is either male or female (but not both) and also either a minor or adult (but not both)

foaf:Person

owl:disjointUnionOf (:MalePerson :FemalePerson);

owl:disjointUnionOf (:Minor :Adult) .

Syntactic sugar: negative assertions

- Asserts that a property doesn't hold between two instances or between an instance and a literal
- NegativeObjectPropertyAssertion
 - Barack Obama was not born in Kenya
- NegativeDataPropertyAssertion
 - Barack Obama is not 60 years old
- Encoded using a “reification style”

Syntactic sugar: negative assertions

```
@prefix dbp: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/> .
```

```
@prefix dbpo: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/> .
```

```
[a owl:NegativeObjectPropertyAssertion;  
  owl:sourceIndividual dbp:Barack_Obama ;  
  owl:assertionProperty dbpo:born_in ;  
  owl:targetIndividual dbp:Kenya] .
```

```
[a owl:NegativeDataPropertyAssertion;  
  owl:sourceIndividual dbp:Barack_Obama ;  
  owl:assertionProperty dbpo:age ;  
  owl:targetIndividual "60" ] .
```

Syntactic sugar: negative assertions

- Note that the negative assertions are about individuals
- Suppose we want to say that :john has no spouse?
- Or to define the concept of an unmarried person?
- Can we use a negative assertion to do it?

Syntactic sugar: negative assertions

- Suppose we want to say that :john has no spouse?

```
[a owl:NegativeObjectPropertyAssertion;  
  owl:sourceIndividual :john ;  
  owl:assertionProperty dbpo:spouse ;  
  owl:targetIndividual ??????????]
```

Syntactic sugar: negative assertions

- The negativeassertion feature is limited
- Can we define a concept :unmarriedPerson and assert that :john is an instance of this?
- We can do it this way:
 - An unmarried person is a kind of person
 - and a kind of thing with exactly 0 spouses

John is not married

:john a :unmarriedPerson .

:unmarriedPerson

a Person;

a [a owl:Restriction;

onProperty dbpo:spouse;

owl:cardinality "0"] .

New property Features

- Self restriction
- Qualified cardinality restriction
- Object properties
- Disjoint properties
- Property chain
- keys

Self restriction

- Classes of objects that are related to themselves by a given property
- For example, the class of processes that regulate themselves
- It is also called *local reflexivity*
- An example: Auto-regulating processes regulate themselves
- narcissists are people who love themselves

Qualified cardinality restrictions

- Qualifies the instances to be counted
- Six varieties: {Data | Object}{Min | Exact | Max} Type
- Examples
 - People with exactly 3 children who are girls
 - People with at least 3 names
 - Each individual has at most 1 SSN
 - Pizzas with exactly four toppings all of which are cheeses

Qualified cardinality restrictions

- Done via new properties with domain owl:Restriction, namely $\{min|max|\}$ QualifiedCardinality and *onClass*
- Example: people with exactly three children who are girls

```
[a owl:restriction;  
  owl:onProperty :has_child;  
  owl:onClass [owl:subClassOf :FemalePerson;  
                owl:subClassOf :Minor].  
  QualifiedCardinality "3" .
```

Object properties

- ReflexiveObjectProperty
 - Globally reflexive
 - Everything is part of itself
- IrreflexiveObjectProperty
 - Nothing can be a proper part of itself
- AsymmetricObjectProperty
 - If x is proper part of y , then the opposite does not hold

Disjoint properties

- E.g: you can't be both the *parent of* and *child of* the same person
- DisjointObjectProperties
 - Deals with object properties
 - Pairwise disjointness can be asserted
 - E.g., `connectedTo` and `contiguousWith`
- DisjointDataProperties
 - Deals with data properties
 - Pairwise disjointness can be asserted
 - E.g., `startTime` and `endTime` of a surgery

A Dissertation Committee

A dissertation committee has a candidate who must be a student and five members all of whom must be faculty. One member must be the advisor, another can be a co-advisor and two must be readers. The readers can not serve as advisor or co-advisor.

A Dissertation Committee

:DC a owl:class; [a owl:Restriction;
owl:onProperty :co-advisor; owl:maxCardinality "1"] .

:candidate a owl:FunctionalProperty;
rdfs:domain :DC; rdfs:range student.

:advisor a owl:FunctionalProperty;
rdfs:domain :DC; rdfs:range faculty.

:co-advisor owl:ObjectProperty;
rdfs:domain :DC; rdfs:range faculty,
owl:propertyDisjointWith :advisor .

...

Property chain inclusion

- Properties can be defined as a composition of other properties
- The brother of your parent is your uncle
:uncle owl:propertyChainAxiom (:parent :brother)

Keys

- Individuals can be identified uniquely
- Identification can be done using
 - A data property
 - An object property or
 - A set of properties
- Example

```
foaf:Person owl:hasKey (foaf:mbox);  
owl:hasKey (:homePhone :foaf:name).
```

Extended datatypes

- Extra datatypes
 - Examples: owl:real, owl:rational, xsd:pattern
- Datatype restrictions
 - Range of datatypes
 - For example, adult has an age ≥ 18
 - `DatatypeRestriction(xsd:integer minInclusive 18)`
- Datatype definitions
 - New datatypes
 - `DatatypeDefinition(:adultAge DatatypeRestriction(xsd:integer minInclusive 18))`

Extended datatypes

- Data range combinations
 - Intersection of
 - `DataIntersectionOf(xsd:nonNegativeInteger xsd:nonPositiveInteger)`
 - Union of
 - `DataUnionOf(xsd:string xsd:integer)`
 - Complement of data range
 - `DataComplementOf(xsd:positiveInteger)`

An example

:Teenager a

```
[owl:Restriction ;  
  owl:onProperty :hasAge ;  
  owl:someValuesFrom _:y .]
```

_:y a rdfs:Datatype ;

```
  owl:onDatatype xsd:integer ;  
  owl:withRestrictions ( _:z1 _:z2 ) .
```

_:z1 xsd:minInclusive "13"^^xsd:integer .

_:z2 xsd:maxInclusive "19"^^xsd:integer .

Punning

- *OWL 1 DL* things can't be both a class and an instance
 - E.g., `:SnowLeopard` can't be both a subclass of `:Feline` and an instance of `:EndangeredSpecies`
- *OWL 2 DL* offers better support for meta-modeling via *punning*
 - A URI denoting an owl thing can have two distinct views, e.g., as a class and as an instance
 - The one intended is determined by its use
 - A *pun* is often defined as a joke that exploits the fact that a word has two different senses or meanings

Punning Restrictions

- Classes and object properties also can have the same name
 - For example, :mother can be both a property and a class of people
- But classes and datatype properties can not have the same name
- Also datatype properties and object properties can not have the same name

Punning Example

@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#> .

@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .

foaf:Person a owl:Class.

:Woman a owl:Class.

:Parent a owl:Class.

:mother a owl:ObjectProperty;

 rdfs:domain foaf:Person;

 rdfs:range foaf:Person .

:mother a owl:Class;

 owl:intersectionOf (:Woman :Parent).

[validate via http://owl.cs.manchester.ac.uk/validator/](http://owl.cs.manchester.ac.uk/validator/)

Annotations

- In OWL *annotations* comprise information that carries no official meaning
- Some properties in OWL 1 are considered as annotation properties, e.g., owl:comment, rdf:label and rdf:seeAlso
- OWL 1 allowed RDF reification as a way to say things about triples, again w/o official meaning

```
[a rdf:Statement;  
  rdf:subject :Barack_Obama;  
  rdf:predicate dbpo:born_in;  
  rdf:object :Kenya;  
  :certainty "0.01" ].
```

Annotations

- OWL 2 has native support for annotations, including
 - Annotations on owl axioms (i.e., triples)
 - Annotations on entities (e.g., a Class)
 - Annotations on annotations
- The mechanism is again reification

Annotations

:Man rdfs:subClassOf :Person .

_:x rdf:type owl:Axiom ;

owl:subject :Man ;

owl:predicate rdfs:subClassOf ;

owl:object :Person ;

:probability "0.99"^^xsd:integer;

rdfs:label "Every man is a person." .

Inverse object properties

- Some object property can be inverse of another property
- For example, `partOf` and `hasPart`
- The `ObjectInverseOf(:partOf)` expression represents the inverse property of *part of*
- This makes writing ontologies easier by avoiding the need to name an inverse

OWL Sub-languages

- OWL 1 had sub-languages: OWL FULL, OWL DL and OWL Lite
- OWL FULL is undecidable
- OWL DL is worst case highly intractable
- Even OWL Lite turned out to be not very tractable (EXPTIME-complete)
- OWL 2 introduced three sub-languages, called *profiles*, designed for different use cases

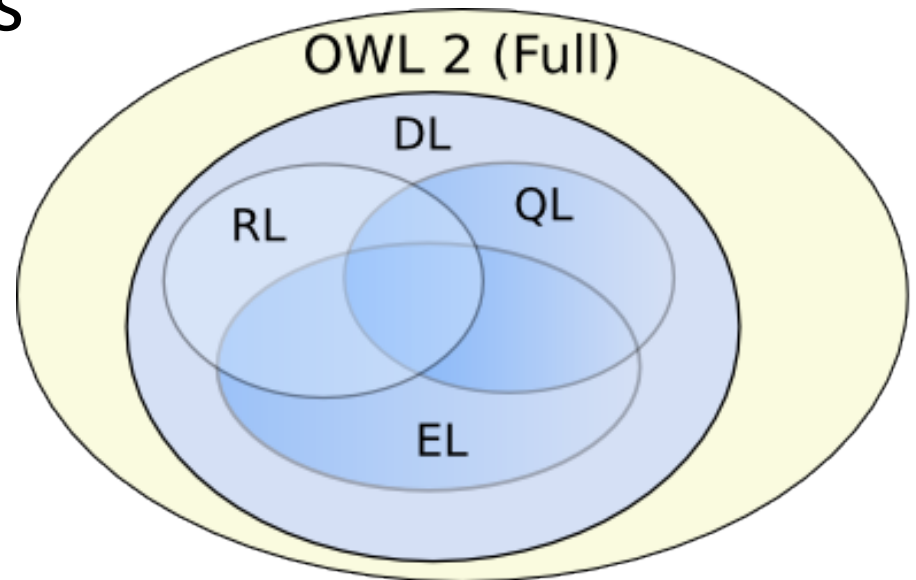
OWL 2 Profiles

OWL 2 defines three different tractable profiles:

- **EL**: polynomial time reasoning for schema and data
 - Useful for ontologies with large conceptual part
- **QL**: fast (logspace) query answering using RDBMs via SQL
 - Useful for large datasets already stored in RDBs
- **RL**: fast (polynomial) query answering using rule-extended DBs
 - Useful for large datasets stored as RDF triples

OWL Profiles

- Profiles considered
 - Useful computational properties, e.g., reasoning complexity
 - Implementation possibilities, e.g., using RDBs
- There are three profiles
 - OWL 2 EL
 - OWL 2 QL
 - OWL 2 RL



OWL 2 EL

- A (near maximal) fragment of OWL 2 such that
 - Satisfiability checking is in PTime (**PTime-Complete**)
 - Data complexity of query answering is PTime-Complete
- Based on **EL** family of description logics
 - Existential (someValuesFrom) + conjunction
- It does not allow disjunction and *universal restrictions*
- *Saturation* is an efficient reasoning technique
- It can capture the expressive power used by many large-scale ontologies, e.g., [SNOMED CT](#)

Basic Saturation-based Technique

Normalise ontology axioms to standard form:

$$A \sqsubseteq B \quad A \sqcap B \sqsubseteq C \quad A \sqsubseteq \exists R.B \quad \exists R.B \sqsubseteq C$$

- Saturate using inference rules:

$$\frac{A \sqsubseteq B \quad B \sqsubseteq C}{A \sqsubseteq C}$$

$$\frac{A \sqsubseteq B \quad A \sqsubseteq C \quad B \sqcap C \sqsubseteq D}{A \sqsubseteq D}$$

$$\frac{A \sqsubseteq \exists R.B \quad B \sqsubseteq C \quad \exists R.C \sqsubseteq D}{A \sqsubseteq D}$$

- Extension to Horn fragment requires (many) more rules

Saturation is a general reasoning technique in which you first compute the deductive closure of a given set of rules and add the results to the KB. Then run your prover.

Saturation-based Technique (basics)

Example: infer that a heart transplant is a kind of organ transplant

$\text{OrganTransplant} \equiv \text{Transplant} \sqcap \exists \text{site}.\text{Organ}$

$\text{HeartTransplant} \equiv \text{Transplant} \sqcap \exists \text{site}.\text{Heart}$

$\text{Heart} \sqsubseteq \text{Organ}$

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$\text{OrganTransplant} \sqsubseteq \text{Transplant}$

$\text{OrganTransplant} \sqsubseteq \exists \text{site. Organ}$

$\exists \text{site. Organ} \sqsubseteq \text{SO}$

$\text{Transplant} \sqcap \text{SO} \sqsubseteq \text{OrganTransplant}$

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$\exists \text{site}.\text{Heart} \sqsubseteq \text{SH}$

$\text{Transplant} \sqcap \text{SH} \sqsubseteq \text{HeartTransplant}$

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Saturation-based Technique

Performance with large bio-medical ontologies

	GO	NCI	Galen v.0	Galen v.7	SNOMED
Concepts:	20465	27652	2748	23136	389472
FACT++	15.24	6.05	465.35	—	650.37
HERMIT	199.52	169.47	45.72	—	—
PELLET	72.02	26.47	—	—	—
CEL	1.84	5.76	—	—	1185.70
CB	1.17	3.57	0.32	9.58	49.44
Speed-Up:	1.57X	1.61X	143X	∞	13.15X

[Galen](#) and [Snomed](#) are large ontologies of medical terms; both have OWL versions. [NCI](#) is a vocabulary of cancer-related terms. [GO](#) is the gene ontology.

OWL 2 QL

- The QL acronym reflects its relation to the standard relational Query Language
- It does not allow *existential* and *universal restrictions* to a class expression or a data range
- These restrictions
 - enable a tight integration with RDBMSs,
 - reasoners can be implemented on top of standard relational databases
- Can answer complex queries (in particular, unions of conjunctive queries) over the instance level (ABox) of the DL knowledge base

OWL 2 QL

We can exploit **query rewriting** based reasoning technique

- Computationally optimal
- Data storage and query evaluation can be delegated to standard RDBMS
- Can be extended to more expressive languages (beyond AC^0) by delegating query answering to a Datalog engine

Query Rewriting Technique (basics)

- Given ontology O and query Q , use O to rewrite Q as Q^0 such that, for any set of ground facts A :
$$\text{ans}(Q, O, A) = \text{ans}(Q^0, ;, A)$$
- Resolution based query rewriting
 - **Clausify** ontology axioms
 - **Saturate** (clausified) ontology and query using resolution
 - **Prune** redundant query clauses

Query Rewriting Technique (basics)

- Example:

Doctor $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{treats.Patient}$
Consultant $\sqsubseteq \text{Doctor}$

$Q(x) \leftarrow \text{treats}(x, y) \wedge \text{Patient}(y)$

Q(x) is our query: Who treats people who are patients?

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$\text{Doctor}(x) \leftarrow \text{Consultant}(x)$

$Q(x) \leftarrow \text{treats}(x, y) \wedge \text{Patient}(y)$

Translate the DL expressions into rules.

Note the use of $f(x)$ as a Skolem individual. If you are a doctor then you treat someone and that someone is a patient

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For each rule in the rules version of the KB we want to enhance the query, so that we need not use the rule in the KB.

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$Q(x) \leftarrow \text{Doctor}(x) \wedge \text{Patient}(f(x))$

Since Doctor(x) implies treats(x, f(x)) we can replace it, but we have to also unify f(x) with y, so we end up with the second way of satisfying our query Q(x).

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Applying the KB second rule to the 1st query rule gives us another way to solve the $Q(x)$

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- For DL-Lite, result is a union of conjunctive queries (UCQ)

Query Rewriting Technique (basics)

- Data can be stored/left in **RDBMS**
- Relationship between ontology and DB defined by **mappings**, e.g.:

Doctor \mapsto SELECT Name FROM Doctor

Patient \mapsto SELECT Name FROM Patient

treats \mapsto SELECT DName, PName FROM Treats

- UCQ translated into **SQL query**:

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SELECT Name FROM Doctor UNION
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SELECT DName FROM Treats, Patient WHERE PName=Name
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OWL 2 RL

- The RL acronym reflects its relation to *Rule Languages*
- OWL 2 RL is designed to accommodate
 - OWL 2 applications that can trade the full expressivity of the language for efficiency
 - RDF(S) applications that need some added expressivity from OWL 2
- Not allowed: existential quantification to a class, union and disjoint union to class expressions
- These restrictions allow OWL 2 RL to be implemented using rule-based technologies such as rule extended DBMSs, Jess, Prolog, etc.

Profiles

Profile selection depends on

- Expressiveness required by the application
- Priority given to reasoning on classes or data
- Size of the datasets



OWL 2 Web Ontology Language Quick Reference Guide

<http://www.w3.org/2007/OWL/refcard>

1 Names, Prefixes, and Notation

Names in OWL 2 are IRIs, often written in a shorthand: prefix:local_name, where prefix: is a prefix name that expands to an IRI, and local_name is the remainder of the name. The prefix names in OWL 2 are:

Prefix Name	Expansion
rdf:	http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#
rdfs:	http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#
owl:	http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#
xsd:	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#

We use notation conventions in the following table*:

Letters	Meaning	Letters	Meaning
(a1 ... an)	RDF list	n	non-negative integer**
_:a	anonymous individual (a blank node label)	ON	ontology name
_:x	blank node	P	object property expression
a	individual	p	prefix name
A	annotation property	PN	object property name
aN	individual name	R	data property
C	class expression	s	IRI or anonymous individual literal
CN	class name	t	IRI, anonymous individual, or literal
D	data range	U	IRI
DN	datatype name	v	literal
f	facet		

* All of the above can have subscripts.

** As a shorthand for "n" xsd:nonNegativeInteger

2 OWL 2 constructs and axioms

In the following tables, the three columns are:

Language Feature	Functional Syntax	RDF Syntax
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For an OWL 2 DL ontology, there are additional global restrictions on axioms.

2.1 Class Expressions

Predefined and Named Classes

named class	CN	CN
universal class	owl:Thing	owl:Thing
empty class	owl:Nothing	owl:Nothing

Boolean Connectives and Enumeration of Individuals

intersection	ObjectIntersectionOf (C1...Cn)	...x rdf:type owl:Class. ...x owl:intersectionOf (C1...Cn).
union	ObjectUnionOf (C1 ... Cn)	...x rdf:type owl:Class. ...x owl:unionOf (C1 ... Cn).
complement	ObjectComplementOf (C)	...x rdf:type owl:Class. ...x owl:complementOf C.
enumeration	ObjectOneOf(a1 ... an)	...x rdf:type owl:Class. ...x owl:oneOf (a1 ... an).

Object Property Restrictions

universal	ObjectAllValuesFrom (P C)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:allValuesFrom C
existential	ObjectSomeValuesFrom (P C)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:someValuesFrom C

individual value	ObjectHasValue(P a)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:hasValue a.
local reflexivity	ObjectHasSelf(P)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:hasSelf "true"^^xsd:boolean.
exact cardinality	ObjectExactCardinality (n P)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:cardinality n.
qualified exact cardinality	ObjectExactCardinality (n P C)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:qualifiedCardinality n. ...x owl:onClass C.
maximum cardinality	ObjectMaxCardinality (n P)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:minCardinality n.
qualified maximum cardinality	ObjectMaxCardinality (n P C)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:minQualifiedCardinality n. ...x owl:onClass C.
minimum cardinality	ObjectMinCardinality (n P)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty P. ...x owl:maxCardinality n.
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Data Property Restrictions

universal	DataAllValuesFrom (R D)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty R. ...x owl:allValuesFrom D.
existential	DataSomeValuesFrom (R D)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty R. ...x owl:someValuesFrom D.
literal value	DataHasValue (R v)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty R. ...x owl:hasValue v.
exact cardinality	DataExactCardinality (n R)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperty R. ...x owl:cardinality n.
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Restrictions Using n-ary Data Range

In the following table 'Dn' is an n-ary data range.

n-ary universal	DataAllValuesFrom (R1 ... Rn Dn)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperties (R1 ... Rn). ...x owl:allValuesFrom Dn.
n-ary existential	DataSomeValuesFrom (R1 ... Rn Dn)	...x rdf:type owl:Restriction. ...x owl:onProperties (R1 ... Rn). ...x owl:someValuesFrom Dn.

2.2 Properties

Object Property Expressions

named object property	PN	PN
universal object property	owl:topObjectProperty	owl:topObjectProperty
empty object property	owl:bottomObjectProperty	owl:bottomObjectProperty
inverse property	ObjectInverseOf(PN)	...x owl:inverseOf PN

Data Property Expressions

named data property	R	R
universal data property	owl:topDataProperty	owl:topDataProperty
empty data property	owl:bottomDataProperty	owl:bottomDataProperty

2.3 Individuals & Literals

named individual	aN	aN
anonymous individual	_:a	_:a
literal (datatype value)	"abc"^^MDN	"abc"^^DN

2.4 Data Ranges

Data Range Expressions

named datatype	DN	DN
data range complement	DataComplementOf (D)	...x rdf:type rdfs:Datatype. ...x owl:datatypeComplementOf D.
data range intersection	DataIntersectionOf (D1...Dn)	...x rdf:type rdfs:Datatype. ...x owl:intersectionOf (D1...Dn).
data range union	DataUnionOf (D1...Dn)	...x rdf:type rdfs:Datatype. ...x owl:unionOf (D1...Dn).
literal enumeration	DataOneOf (v1 ... vn)	...x rdf:type rdfs:Datatype. ...x owl:oneOf (v1 ... vn).
datatype restriction	DatatypeRestriction (DN f1 v1 ... fn vn)	...x rdf:type rdfs:Datatype. ...x owl:Datatype DN. ...x owl:withRestrictions (...x1 ..._xn). ...xj fj vj. j=1...n

2.5 Axioms

Class Expression Axioms

subclass	SubClassOf(C1 C2)	C1 rdfs:subClassOf C2.
equivalent classes	EquivalentClasses (C1 ... Cn)	Cj owl:equivalentClass Cj+1. j=1...n-1
disjoint classes	DisjointClasses(C1 C2)	C1 owl:disjointWith C2.
pairwise disjoint classes	DisjointClasses (C1 ... Cn)	...x rdf:type owl:AllDisjointClasses. ...x owl:members (C1 ... Cn).
disjoint union	DisjointUnionOf (CN C1 ... Cn)	CN owl:disjointUnionOf (C1 ... Cn).

Object Property Axioms

subproperty	SubObjectPropertyOf (P1 P2)	P1 rdfs:subPropertyOf P2.
property chain inclusion	SubObjectPropertyOf (ObjectPropertyChain (P1 ... Pn) P)	P owl:propertyChainAxiom (P1 ... Pn).
property domain	ObjectPropertyDomain (P C)	P rdfs:domain C.
property range	ObjectPropertyRange(P C)	P rdfs:range C.
equivalent properties	EquivalentObjectProperties (P1 ... Pn)	Pj owl:equivalentProperty Pj+1. j=1...n-1
disjoint properties	DisjointObjectProperties (P1 P2)	P1 owl:propertyDisjointWith P2.
pairwise disjoint properties	DisjointObjectProperties (P1 ... Pn)	...x rdf:type owl:AllDisjointProperties. ...x owl:members (P1 ... Pn).
inverse properties	InverseObjectProperties (P1 P2)	P1 owl:inverseOf P2.

Key OWL 2 Documents

Part	Type	Document
1	For Users	Document Overview . A quick overview of the OWL 2 specification that includes a description of its relationship to OWL 1. This is the starting point and primary reference point for OWL 2.
2	Core Specification	Structural Specification and Functional-Style Syntax defines the constructs of OWL 2 ontologies in terms of both their structure and a functional-style syntax, and defines OWL 2 DL ontologies in terms of global restrictions on OWL 2 ontologies.
3	Core Specification	Mapping to RDF Graphs defines a mapping of the OWL 2 constructs into RDF graphs, and thus defines the primary means of exchanging OWL 2 ontologies in the Semantic Web.
4	Core Specification	Direct Semantics defines the meaning of OWL 2 ontologies in terms of a model-theoretic semantics.
5	Core Specification	RDF-Based Semantics defines the meaning of OWL 2 ontologies via an extension of the RDF Semantics .
6	Core Specification	Conformance provides requirements for OWL 2 tools and a set of test cases to help determine conformance.
7	Specification	Profiles defines three sub-languages of OWL 2 that offer important advantages in particular applications scenarios.
8	For Users	OWL 2 Primer provides an approachable introduction to OWL 2, including orientation for those coming from other disciplines.
9	For Users	OWL 2 New Features and Rationale provides an overview of the main new features of OWL 2 and motivates their inclusion in the language.
10	For Users	OWL 2 Quick Reference Guide provides a brief guide to the constructs of OWL 2, noting the changes from OWL 1.
11	Specification	XML Serialization defines an XML syntax for exchanging OWL 2 ontologies, suitable for use with XML tools like schema-based editors and XQuery/XPath.
12	Specification	Manchester Syntax (WG Note) defines an easy-to-read, but less formal, syntax for OWL 2 that is used in some OWL 2 user interface tools and is also used in the Primer .
13	Specification	Data Range Extension: Linear Equations (WG Note) specifies an optional extension to OWL 2 which supports advanced constraints on the values of properties.

<http://w3.org/TR/2009/WD-owl2-overview-20090421/>

Conclusion

- Most of the new features of OWL 2 in comparing with the initial version of OWL have been discussed
- Rationale behind the inclusion of the new features have also been discussed
- Three profiles – EL, QL and RL – are provided that fit different use cases and implementation strategies