# $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Repairing Networks} \\ \mbox{of } \mathcal{EL}_{\perp} \mbox{Ontologies} \\ \mbox{using Weakening and Completing} \end{array}$

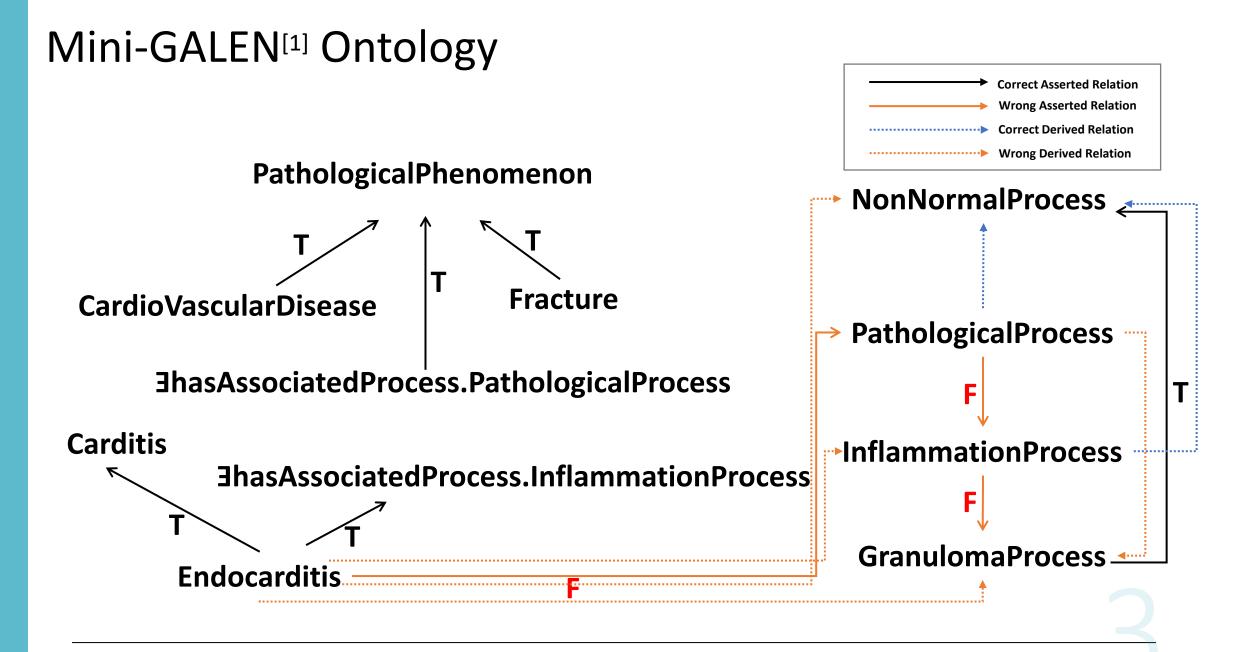
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Preserve as much as possible correct knowledge when removing wrong axioms from the ontology/ontology network.

A domain expert (Oracle) will validate the results

We propose an interactive repairing approach to mitigate these effects of removing wrong axioms by, in addition to removing those axioms, also adding correct knowledge.

Completeness: Weakening Completion





## Preliminaries



#### Ontology network

Ontologies are represented using DL TBoxes.

An alignment between two ontologies is a set of mappings between the ontologies.

**Definition 1.** Let  $\mathcal{T}_1, ..., \mathcal{T}_n$  be TBoxes representing ontologies  $\mathcal{O}_1, ..., \mathcal{O}_n$ , respectively. For  $i, j \in [1..n]$  with i < j, let  $\mathcal{A}_{ij}$  be an alignment between ontology  $\mathcal{O}_i$  and  $\mathcal{O}_j$ . The network of the ontologies and their alignments is then represented by TBox  $\mathcal{T} = (\bigcup_{i=1..n} \mathcal{T}_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i,j=1..n,i < j} \mathcal{A}_{ij})$ .



#### **Problem Formulation**

An ontology/ontology network represented by TBox T

Domain expert

**Definition 4.** (Repair) Let TBox  $\mathcal{T} = (\bigcup_{i=1..n} \mathcal{T}_i) \cup (\bigcup_{i,j=1..n,i < j} \mathcal{A}_{ij})$  represent a network of ontologies  $\mathcal{O}_i$  represented by TBoxes  $\mathcal{T}_i$ , and their alignments  $\mathcal{A}_{ij}$ . Let Qr be an oracle that given a TBox axiom returns true or false. Let W be a finite set of TBox axioms in  $\mathcal{T}$  such that  $\forall \ \psi \in W$ :  $Or(\psi) =$  false. Then, a repair for Debug-Problem DP( $\mathcal{T}, Or, W$ ) is a tuple  $(\mathcal{A}, D)$  where  $\mathcal{A}$  and D are finite sets of TBox axioms such that  $(i) \ \forall \ \psi \in A$ :  $Or(\psi) =$  true;

(i)  $\forall \psi \in A: Or(\psi) = \text{true};$ (ii) D is a finite set of asserted axioms in  $\mathcal{T}$ ; (iii)  $\forall \psi \in D: Or(\psi) = \text{false};$ (iv)  $\forall \psi \in W: (\mathcal{T} \cup A) \setminus D \not\models \psi.$ 

W is a set of the wrong axioms to remove from the ontology/ontology network.

A repair (A,D) is a tuple containing two sets: A: a set of correct axioms to add to the TBox D: a set of wrong asserted axioms to remove from the Tbox.

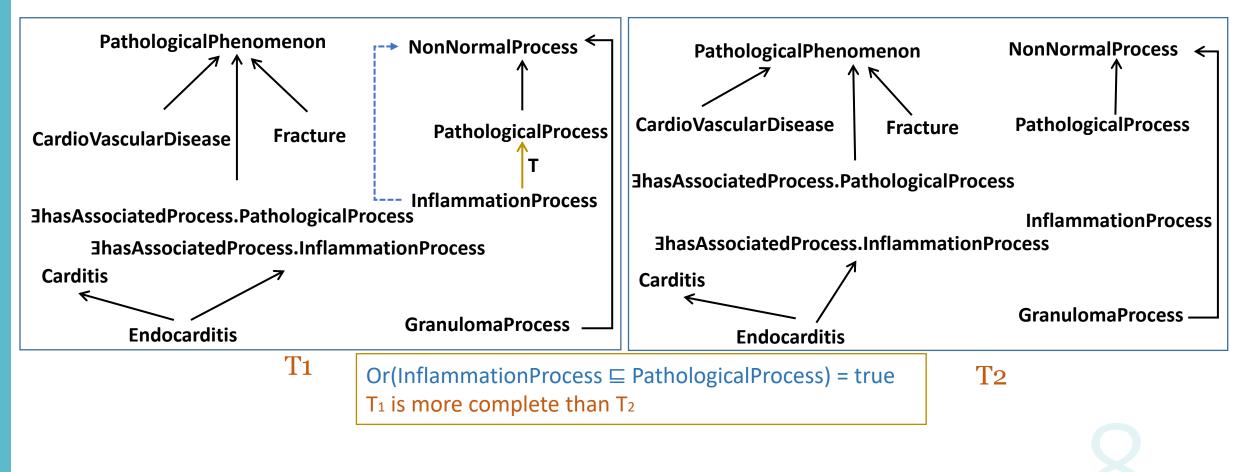
When the axioms in D are removed and the axioms in A are added, the wrong axioms in W cannot be derived anymore.



#### More complete TBoxes

Definition 2. TBox  $T_1$  is more complete than TBox  $T_2$  iff

- 1) all correct knowledge in  $T_2$  can also be derived in  $T_1$ .
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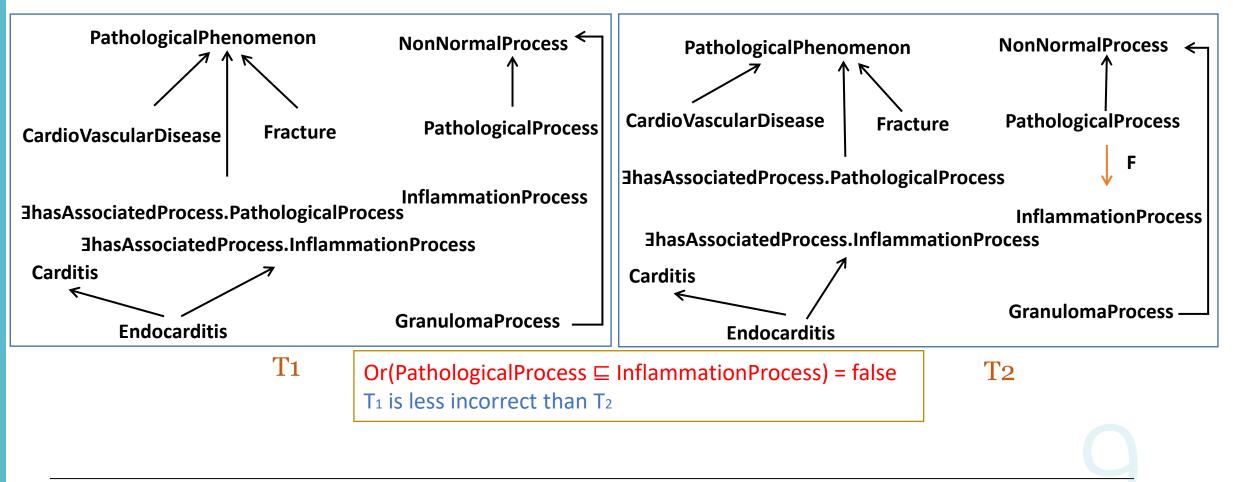




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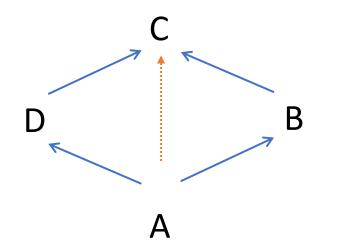
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#### Debugging and Removing- dealing with wrong axioms



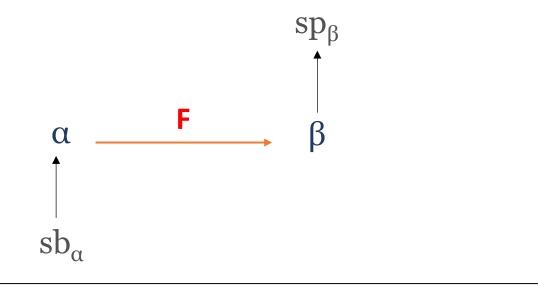
Debugging and removing lead to less incorrect ontologies.

Many algorithms exist.

#### $Justifications(A \sqsubseteq C) = \{ \{A \sqsubseteq B, B \sqsubseteq C\}, [A \sqsubseteq D, D \sqsubseteq C\} \}$



#### Weakening - finding correct weaker axioms

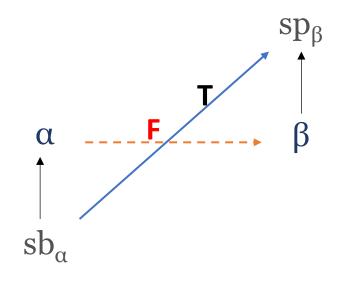




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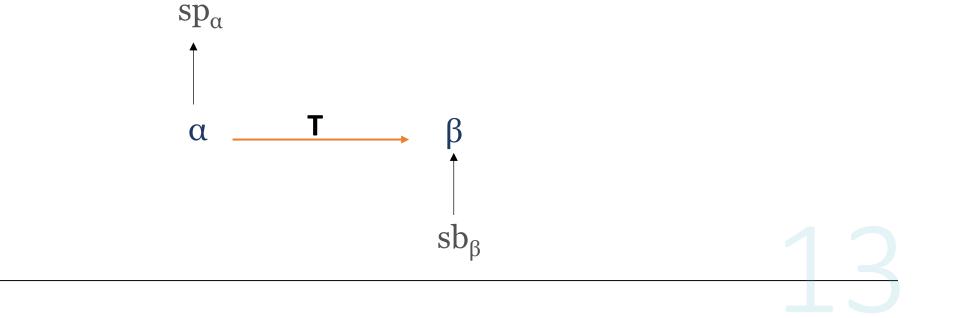
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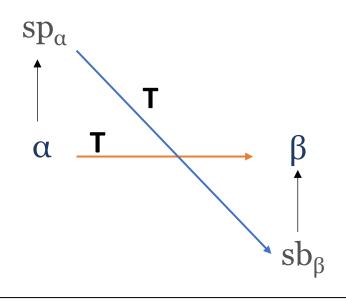




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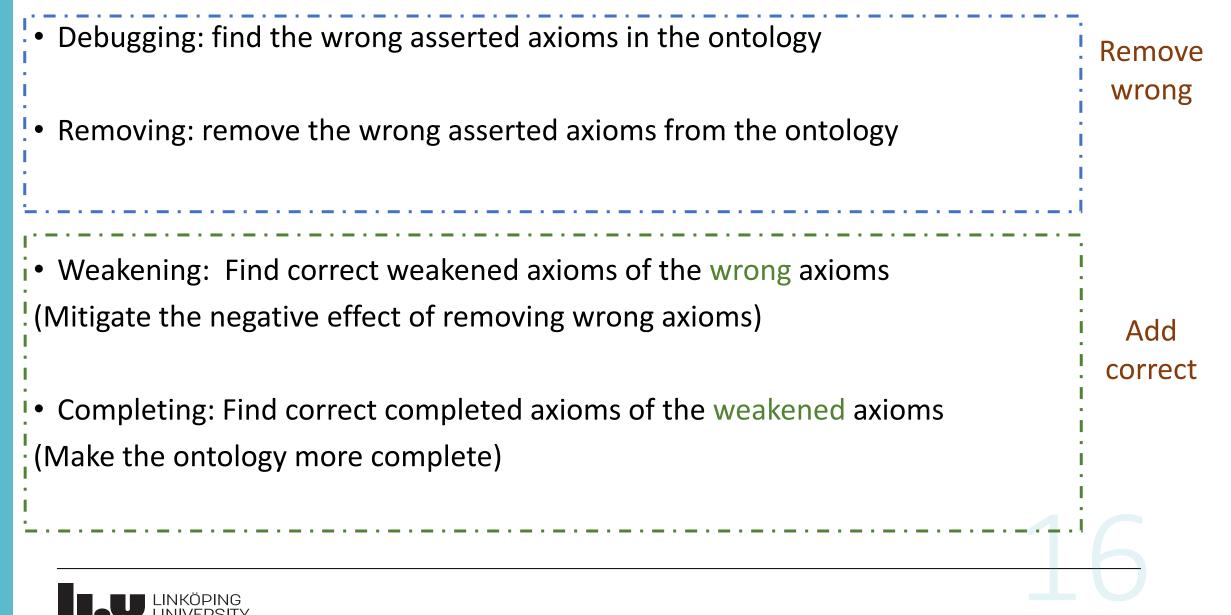




## Ontologies



#### **Basic operations**



#### Combinations of basic operations

Choices regarding

- In which order to perform the operations
- Performing computations for all axioms at once or one at the time
- When to update the ontology (as soon as correct axioms are found or at the end)



#### **Combination operators**

R-none, AB-one/ OR-none, AB-all/ R-none, AB-none	W-one,U-now/ W-one,U-end_one	O C-one,U-now
R-one, AB-one/ R-one,AB-all		C-one,U-end_one
R-one, AB-none R-all, AB-none/ R-all, AB-one/ R-all, AB-all	W-all,U-now/ W-all,U-end_all/ W-all,U-end_one/ W-one,U-end_all	C-all,U-now/ C-all,U-end_all/ C-all, U-end_one/ C-one,U-end_all
R: remove wrong axioms (one at a time/ all at once/none) AB: add back wrong axioms (none/one/all)	W: weaken (one at a time/all at once) U: update the ontology	C: complete (one at a time/all at once) U: update the ontology

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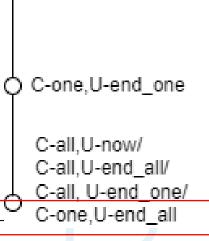
Li Y, Lambrix P, <u>Repairing EL Ontologies Using Weakening and Completing</u>, ESWC 2023.

Alg 1: Weaken one at a time, remove all wrong, complete one at a time, then add completed axiom sets at end

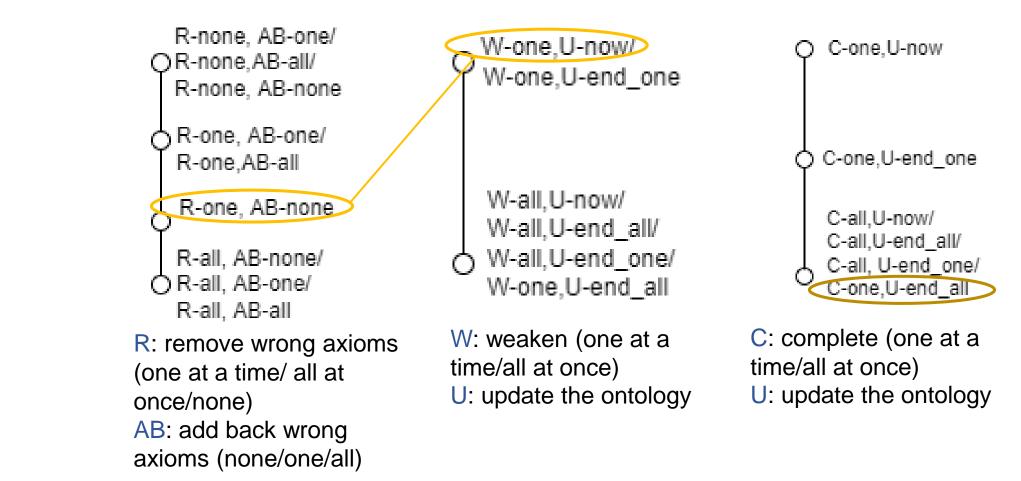
C-one, U-end\_all

Alg 2: Weaken one at a time, remove all wrong, complete/add completed axiom sets one at a time C-one, U-now

 $\rightarrow$  Alg 2 leads to more complete ontologies than Alg 1

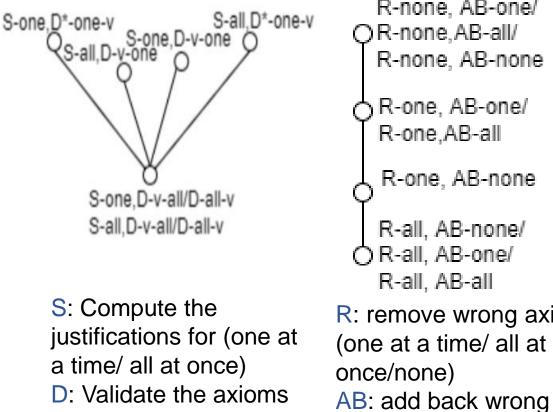






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axioms (none/one/all)

(all asserted axioms/one hitting set)

W-all,U-end\_one/ W-one,U-end all W: weaken (one at a R: remove wrong axioms time/all at once) U: update the ontology

W-one,U-now/

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W-all,U-end all/

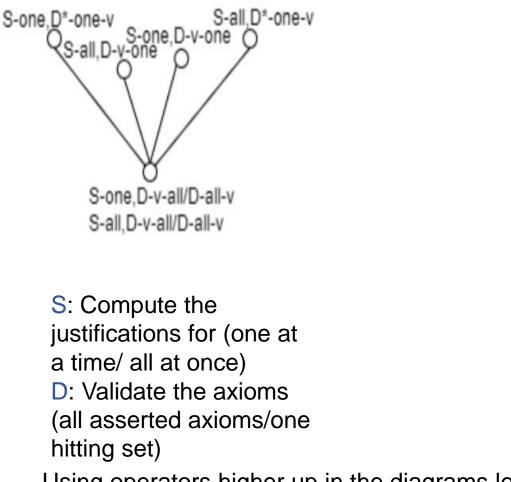
W-one,U-end one

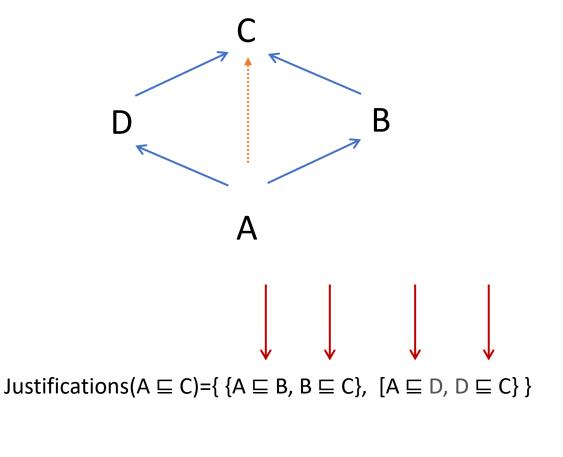
C-one.U-now C-one,U-end one C-all.U-now/ C-all,U-end all/ C-all, U-end one/ C-one.U-end all

C: complete (one at a time/all at once) U: update the ontology

Using operators higher up in the diagrams leads to more complete, more incorrect ontologies. Higher up leads to more (less) validation work for weaking/completing (debugging).



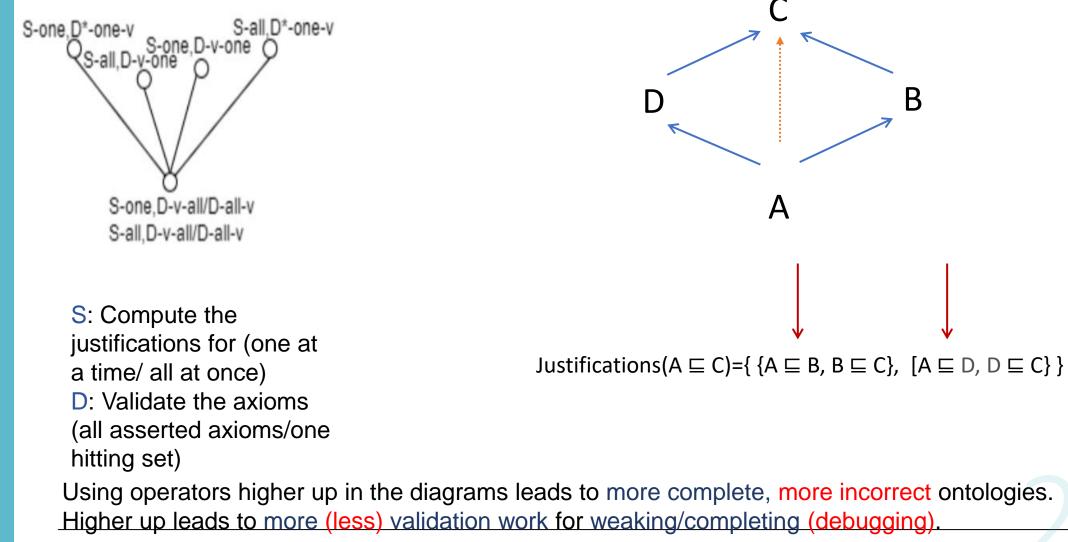




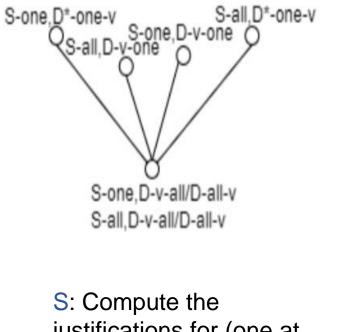
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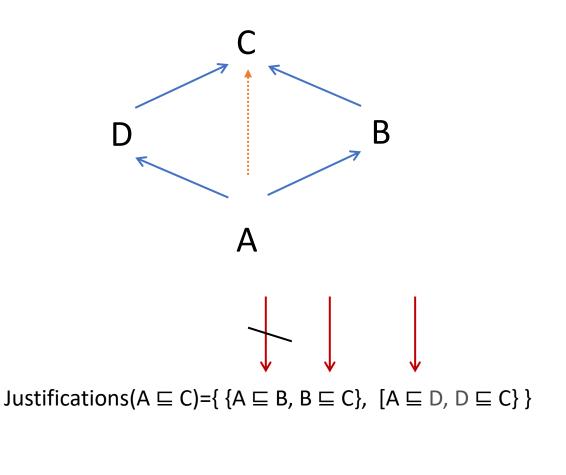
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justifications for (one at a time/ all at once) D: Validate the axioms (all asserted axioms/one hitting set)



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## **Ontology networks**



### Ontology vs. Ontology network

There are also choices regarding the autonomy level of the ontologies and alignments in the ontology network, which reflects the policies of the ontology and alignment owners regarding updating and computing for their ontologies and alignments.

O (ontology) / M(mappings)
MO (materialized ontology) / MM(materialized mappings)
ON (ontology network)





#### Ontology network

During the repairing process different levels of autonomy can be used at different stages:



Using as much knowledge as possible may lead to more complete networks, but also more validation work.



#### Extreme case 1

>Ontology is completely autonomous

- The set of wrong axioms W contains only axioms in the ontology (O).
- Only the axioms within the ontology can be used for the computation of repairs.  $\longrightarrow KB_{0}$
- Solutions only include axioms in the ontology.







#### Extreme case 2

>ON (ontology network) --- ontologies and alignments as integral parts of the network

- The set of wrong axioms W contain ontology axioms and mappings.
- The whole network is used for the computation of repairs.



• Solutions contain ontology axioms and mappings.

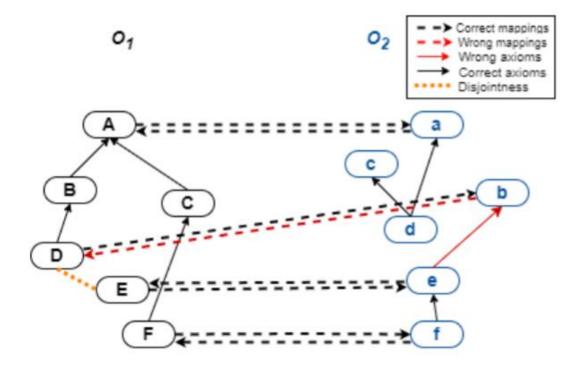
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#### Example

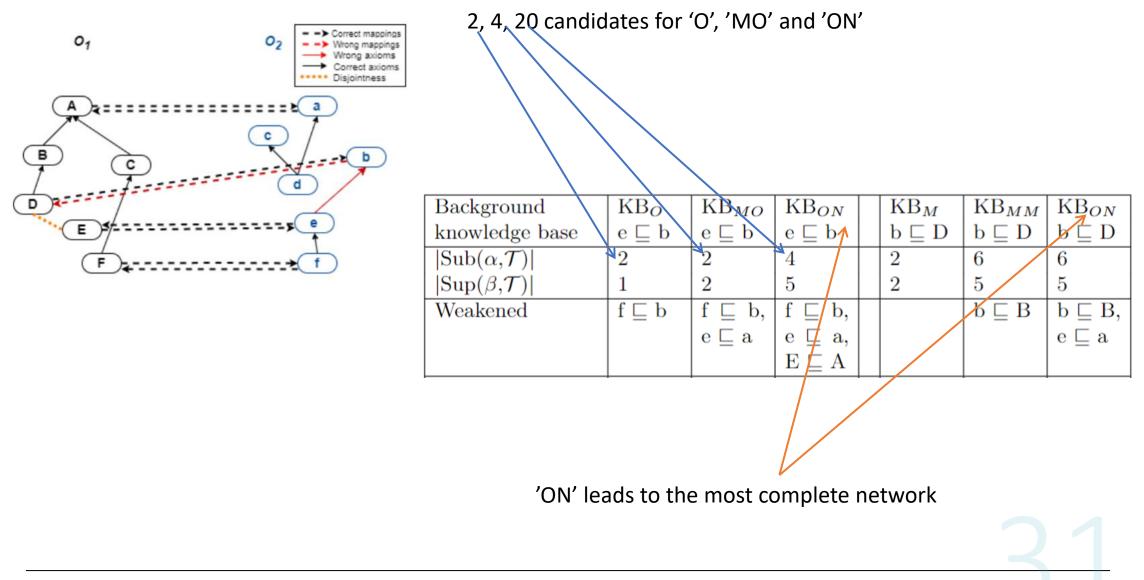
Asserted axioms in Ontologies O<sub>1</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> O<sub>1</sub>: B  $\sqsubseteq$  A, D  $\sqsubseteq$  B, C  $\sqsubseteq$  A, D  $\sqsubseteq$  B, F  $\sqsubseteq$  C O<sub>2</sub>: d  $\sqsubseteq$  c, d  $\sqsubseteq$  a, e  $\sqsubseteq$  b, f  $\sqsubseteq$  e Mappings between O<sub>1</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> a  $\sqsubseteq$  A, D  $\sqsubseteq$  b, E  $\sqsubseteq$  e, F  $\sqsubseteq$  f A  $\sqsubseteq$  a, b  $\sqsubseteq$  D, e  $\sqsubseteq$  E, f  $\sqsubseteq$  F



We have used 'ON' in the debugging step where we validate all axioms in the justifications. This results in a wrong axiom  $e \sqsubseteq b$  and a wrong mapping  $b \sqsubseteq D$ .

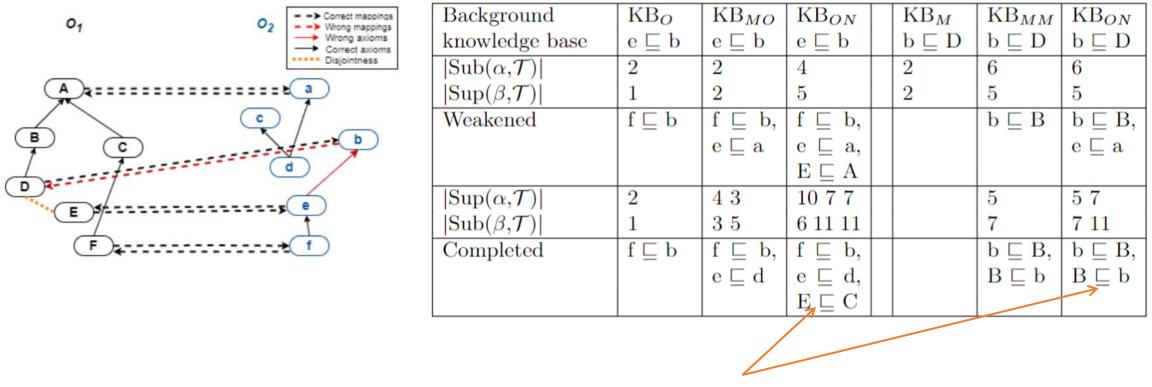


#### Weakening





#### Completing



'ON' leads to the most complete network

The network is repaired by removing the wrong axioms and adding the completed axioms.



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- Interactive approach to mitigate the negative effects of removing unwanted axioms from an ontology network.
- Combination operators reflecting choices and policies.
- Trade-offs for different combination strategies involving correctness, completeness and validation work.
- Implemented system.
- Our framework provides a blueprint for extending previous work and systems.

