

# Terminological Cluster Trees for Disjointness Axiom Discovery

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# Introduction & Motivation

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Disjointness axioms often missing in Semantic Web knowledge bases

- counterintuitive inference

## Example

$\mathcal{K} = \{ \text{JournalPaper} \sqsubseteq \text{Paper}, \text{ConferencePaper} \sqsubseteq \text{Paper}, \text{ConferencePaper}(a) \}$

$\mathcal{K} \models \text{JournalPaper}(a)$ ?

Answer: No

- **Goal:** discovery disjointness axioms from Semantic Web knowledge bases through inductive method
- **Contribution:** a framework for eliciting disjointness axioms
  - solving a clustering problem via **Terminological Cluster Trees** providing a concept description for each cluster
  - **Assumption:** two concepts **disjoint** when there is no overlap between their extensions

## The approach

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## Definition

### Given

- a knowledge base  $\mathcal{K} = \langle \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$
- a set of individuals  $I \subseteq \text{Ind}(\mathcal{A})$

### Find

- $n$  pairwise disjoint clusters  $\{C_1, \dots, C_n\}$
- for each  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , a concept description  $D_i$  that describes  $C_i$ , such that:
  - $\forall a \in C_i : \mathcal{K} \models D_i(a)$
  - $\forall b \in C_j, j \neq i : \mathcal{K} \models \neg D_i(b)$ .

## Terminological cluster tree (TCT)

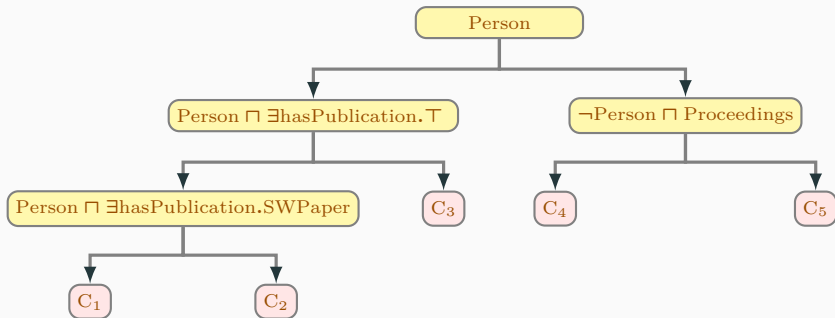
A binary logical tree where

- a node stands for a cluster of individuals  $C$
- each internal node contains a concept  $D$  (defined over the signature of  $\mathcal{K}$ )
- each edge departing from an internal node corresponds to the outcome of the membership test of individuals with respect to  $D$ .



# Example of TCT

TCT for describing individuals involved in the Semantic Web research community



Given the set of individuals  $I$

- various concept descriptions are generated
  - The sets of positive and negative instances w.r.t. each specialization are determined
  - The medoids of the set of positive (resp. negative) instances are computed
- **Best concept**: the one minimizing the overlap between the sets of positive and negative instances
  - maximization of the distance between the medoids
- Individuals of the cluster sorted to either set according to the closeness w.r.t. the medoids
- **Stop condition**: distance between medoids below a threshold  $\nu$

## Distance measure between individuals

Distance Function (adapted from [d'Amato et al.@ESWC2008]):

$$d_n^{\mathcal{C}} : \text{Ind}(\mathcal{A}) \times \text{Ind}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$d_n^{\mathcal{C}}(a, b) = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m w_i [1 - \pi_i(a)\pi_i(b)]^n \right]^{1/n}$$

**Context:** a set of atomic concepts  $\mathcal{C} = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m\}$

**Projection Function:**

$$\forall a \in \text{Ind}(\mathcal{A}) \quad \pi_i(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathcal{K} \models B_i(a) \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathcal{K} \models \neg B_i(a) \\ 0.5 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Given a TCT  $T$ :

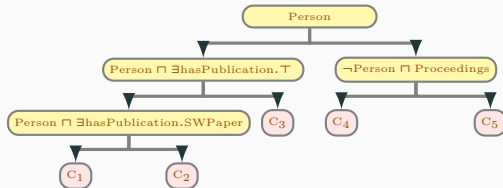
Step I:

- Traversing the tree to collect the concept descriptions describing the clusters
- A set of concepts  $CS$  is returned

Step II:

- A set of candidate axioms  $A$  is generated from  $CS$ :
  - an axiom  $D \sqsubseteq \neg E$  ( $D, E \in CS$ ) is generated if
    - $D \not\sqsubseteq E$  (or  $D \not\sqsupseteq E$  or viceversa)
    - $E \sqsubseteq \neg D$  has not been generated

# Example of TCT - Deriving axioms



$$Cs = \{ \text{Person,} \\ \text{Person} \sqcap \exists \text{hasPublication.} \top, \\ \neg(\text{Person} \sqcap \exists \text{hasPublication.} \top) \\ \text{Person} \exists \text{hasPublication.SWPaper} \\ \neg \text{Person} \sqcap \text{Proceedings} \dots \}$$

Axiom:

$$\text{Person} \sqcap \exists \text{hasPublication.SWPaper} \sqsubseteq \neg(\neg \text{Person} \sqcap \text{Proceedings})$$

# Empirical Evaluation

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- **Experiment I:** Re-discover a target axiom (existing in  $\mathcal{K}$ )
- **Experiment II:** Re-discover randomly selected target axioms introduced according to the **Strong Disjointness Assumption**
  - two sibling concepts in a subsumption hierarchy should be considered as disjoint [Schlobach@ESWC2005]

Ontology	#Concepts	#Roles	#Individuals	#Disj. Ax.s
BioPax	74	70	323	85
NTN	47	27	676	40
Financial	60	16	1000	113
GeoSkills	596	23	2567	378
Monetary	323	247	2466	236
DBPedia3.9	251	132	16606	11



## Experiment I - Settings

- A copy of each ontology is created removing a target axiom
- Threshold  $\nu = 0.9, 0.8, 0.7$
- **Metrics** # discovered axioms and #cases of inconsistency

Ontology	C	D
BioPax	bioSource	xref
NTN	Man	Pop $\sqcup$ Woman $\sqcup$ Supernat. Being
Financial	PermanentOrder	Account $\sqcup$ Region
GeoSkills	Educational Level	Educational Pathway
Monetary	ISO3166-CC	ISO31813-Market IC $\sqcup$ ISO4217-CC
DBpedia3.9	Activity	Person

# Experiment I - Outcomes

Ontology	TCT 0.9		TCT 0.8		TCT 0.7	
	#inc.	#ax's	#inc.	#ax's	#inc.	#ax's
BioPax	2	53	2	53	3	52
NTN	10	70	9	73	10	75
Financial	0	125	0	126	0	127
GeoSkills	2	345	1	347	4	347
Monetary	0	432	0	432	0	433
DBPedia3.9	45	45	44	44	43	43

- limited number of inconsistency
- significant number of discovered axioms

- A copy of each ontology is created removing 20%, 50%, 70% of the disjointness axioms
- The copy is used to induce TCT
- Threshold  $\nu = 0.9, 0.8, 0.7$
- **Metrics**: rate of rediscovered target axioms, #cases of inconsistency and # discovered axioms
- **# Run**: 10 times
- Comparison against the methods bases on negative association rule mining (NAR) and Pearson correlation coefficient (PCC)

## 2nd Experiment - Outcomes

Ontology	f	TCT 0.9		TCT 0.8		TCT 0.7		PCC		NAR	
		#inc.	#ax's	#inc.	#ax's	#inc.	#ax's	#inc.	#ax's	#inc.	#ax's
BioPax	20%	235	3859	357	4235	365	4256				
	50%	125	3576	357	4176	432	4115	257	280	352	2990
	70%	125	3432	235	3875	417	4154				
NTN	20%	312	3128	343	3126	354	3124				
	50%	234	3023	234	3034	235	3034	32	957	376	3766
	70%	156	2987	176	2679	123	2675				
Financial	20%	76	165	87	325	96	276				
	50%	37	143	56	307	53	259	124	1112	542	5366
	70%	33	143	43	276	40	221				
GeoSkills	20%	234	14289	357	14297	432	14345				
	50%	231	14123	356	14154	417	14256	456	13384	456	13299
	70%	234	14122	358	14154	377	14187				
Monetary	20%	535	13456	573	13453	623	13460				
	50%	315	13236	432	13236	532	13236	543	13384	423	13456
	70%	247	13127	231	13127	312	13127				
DBPedia3.9	20%	1345	29730	1432	30143	1432	30567				
	50%	1346	29730	1431	30143	1433	30567	1243	30470	1243	30365
	70%	1343	19730	1432	30143	1432	30567				

## Experiment II - Outcomes

Ontology	f	TCT – standard mode		
		TCT 0.9	TCT 0.8	TCT 0.7
BioPax	20%	0.90 ± 0.12	0.76 ± 0.13	0.74 ± 0.13
	50%	0.85 ± 0.13	0.74 ± 0.13	0.74 ± 0.13
	70%	0.85 ± 0.13	0.74 ± 0.12	0.74 ± 0.14
NTN	20%	0.99 ± 0.08	0.95 ± 0.06	0.95 ± 0.08
	50%	0.97 ± 0.03	0.93 ± 0.10	0.93 ± 0.01
	70%	0.90 ± 0.10	0.89 ± 0.11	0.89 ± 0.10
Financial	20%	0.99 ± 0.08	0.99 ± 0.08	0.99 ± 0.08
	50%	0.97 ± 0.03	0.97 ± 0.03	0.97 ± 0.03
	70%	0.95 ± 0.05	0.95 ± 0.05	0.95 ± 0.05
GeoSkills	20%	0.99 ± 0.08	0.99 ± 0.08	0.99 ± 0.08
	50%	0.92 ± 0.10	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00
	70%	0.92 ± 0.10	0.92 ± 0.10	0.92 ± 0.10
Monetary	20%	0.99 ± 0.08	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00
	50%	0.94 ± 0.13	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00
	70%	0.94 ± 0.13	0.91 ± 0.14	0.91 ± 0.13
DBPedia3.9	20%	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00
	50%	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00	1.00 ± 0.00
	70%	0.96 ± 0.08	0.90 ± 0.08	0.90 ± 0.08

## Conclusions and Outlooks

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- An approach to discover disjointness axioms
  - exploiting the knowledge base
  - generating axioms that involves complex concept descriptions
- Extensions:
  - Post-pruning strategy
  - Other distance measures

Questions?



Downward refinement operators specializing a concept  $C$

$$\rho_1 C' = C \sqcap (\neg)A;$$

$$\rho_2 C' = C \sqcap (\neg)(\exists)R.T;$$

$$\rho_3 C' = C \sqcap (\neg)(\forall)R.T;$$

$$\rho_4 \exists R.C'_i \in \rho(\exists R.C_i) \wedge C'_i \in \rho(C_i);$$

$$\rho_5 \forall R.C'_i \in \rho(\forall R.C_i) \wedge C'_i \in \rho(C_i).$$

# Example of axioms

## Successfully discovered axioms

- `ExternalReferenceUtilityClass`  $\sqcap$  `∃TAXONREF.T`  
disjoint with  
`xref`
- `Activity`  
disjoint with  
`Person`  $\sqcap$  `∃nationality.United_states`
- `Person`  $\sqcap$  `hasSex.Male` ( $\equiv$  `Man`)  
disjoint with  
`SupernaturalBeing`  $\sqcap$  `God` ( $\equiv$  `God`)

## Not discovered axioms

- `Actor` disjoint with `Artefact`

(concepts with few instances)