

# Fixpoint Semantics for Logic Programming

See Melvin Fitting 2002

If you read and understand Fitting's survey paper you have learned a sufficient amount of knowledge in this class.

Note that some things are given a slightly different name – but mean the same as things we have learned here.

# Student evaluation

Given a logic program  $P$  with clauses  $C$ ,

Construct  $P^*$  with clauses  $C^*$  by

replace „ $A \leftarrow \cdot$ “ by „ $A \leftarrow \text{true}$ “,

ground instantiate all clauses from  $C$ ,

if the ground atom  $A$  is not the head of any member of  $P^*$ ,

add „ $A \leftarrow \text{false}$ “.

Example :

$P(x) \text{ :- } Q(x), R(x).$

$R(a).$

Becomes  $P^*$

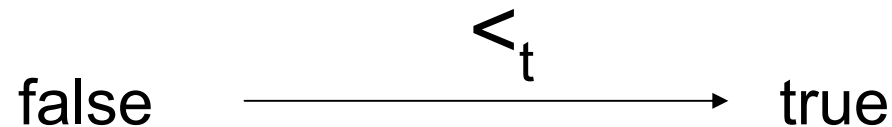
$R(a) \text{ :- } \text{true}.$

$P(a) \text{ :- } Q(a), R(a).$

$Q(a) \text{ :- } \text{false}.$

Minimize with respect to order, i.e. default to false:

Definition: The space {false,true} is given the truth ordering  $\text{false} <_t \text{true}$ , with  $x <_t y$  not holding in any other case. We use  $\leq_t$  as usual for  $<_t$  or  $=$ .



This ordering is extended to interpretations pointwise:

$I_1 \leq_t I_2$  if and only if  $I_1(A) \leq_t I_2(A)$  for all ground atoms  $A$ .

$T_{P \downarrow \omega}$  is not necessarily the biggest fixpoint, but  
 $T_{P \downarrow \alpha}$  for some  $\alpha > \omega$

We know: Normal programs do not have one smallest fixpoint

Approach:

1. Consider two (or more) fixpoints
2. Consider multi-valued interpretations

We know: A classical interpretation assigns every ground atom a truth value from {true, false}.

Consider:

$P :- P.$

$Q.$

Smallest fixpoint: {Q}

Largest fixpoint. {Q,P}

Idea:

What is true in both fixpoints is true.

What is true in one fixpoint, but false in the other is uncertain  $\perp$ .

**Definition:** A partial valuation is a mapping  $I$  from the set of ground atoms to the set  $\{\bot, \text{false}, \text{true}\}$ , meeting the conditions

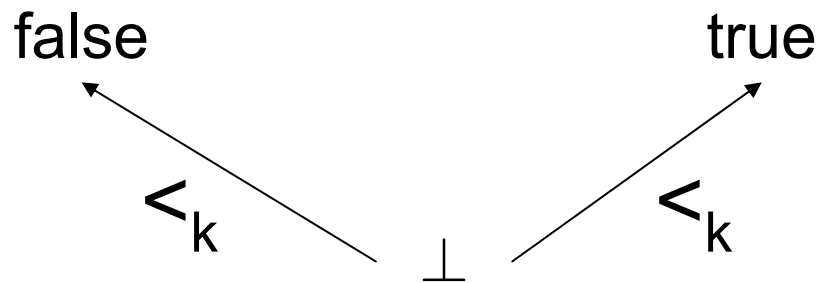
$$I(\text{false}) = \text{false}$$

and

$$I(\text{true}) = \text{true}$$

We often refer to partial valuations as three valued.

**Definition:** The space  $\{\perp, \text{false}, \text{true}\}$  is given a knowledge ordering  $\perp <_k \text{false}$ ,  $\perp <_k \text{true}$ , with  $x <_k y$  not holding in any other case. Then  $\leq_k$  is defined as usual.



Complete  
semi-lattice

The ordering is again extended to partial interpretations pointwise:

$I_1 \leq_k I_2$  **iff**  $I_1(A) \leq_k I_2(A)$  for all ground atoms  $A$ .

Describe three-valued interpretation  $I$  as pair  $(T, F)$  of true ground atoms  $T$  and false ground atoms  $F$ .

Then  $I_1 \leq_k I_2$  **iff**  $T_1 \subseteq T_2$  and  $F_1 \subseteq F_2$  („ $I_2$  knows more than  $I_1$ “)

**Definition.** Let  $P$  be a normal program. An associated mapping  $\Phi_P$ , from partial interpretations to partial interpretations, is defined as follows.

$$\Phi_P(I) = J$$

where  $J$  is the unique partial interpretation determined by the following: for a ground atom  $A$ ,

1.  $I(A) = \text{true}$  if there is a general ground clause  $A \leftarrow B_1, \dots, B_n$  in  $P^*$  with head  $A$ , such that  $I(B_1) = \text{true}$  and  $\dots$  and  $I(B_n) = \text{true}$ .
2.  $I(A) = \text{false}$  if, for every general ground clause  $A \leftarrow B_1, \dots, B_n$  in  $P^*$  with head  $A$ ,  $I(B_1) = \text{false}$ , or  $\dots$ ,  $I(B_n) = \text{false}$ .
3.  $I(A) = \perp$  otherwise.

A	B	$A \wedge B$
true	true	true
true	false	false
true	$\perp$	$\perp$
false	true	false
false	false	false
false	$\perp$	false
$\perp$	true	$\perp$
$\perp$	false	false
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$

A	B	$A \vee B$
true	true	true
true	false	true
true	$\perp$	true
false	true	true
false	false	false
false	$\perp$	$\perp$
$\perp$	true	true
$\perp$	false	$\perp$
$\perp$	$\perp$	$\perp$

A	$\neg A$
true	false
false	True
$\perp$	$\perp$

**Proposition:** For a general program  $P$ , the operator  $\Phi_P$  is monotone with respect to  $\leq_k$ :  
 $I_1 \leq_k I_2$  implies  $\Phi_P(I_1) \leq_k \Phi_P(I_2)$ .

Note: The smallest fixed point of  $\Phi_P$  supplies the Fitting semantics (also called Kripke-Kleene semantics) with

$$\Phi_P \uparrow 0 = \perp$$

$$\Phi_P \uparrow \alpha + 1 = \Phi_P(\Phi_P \uparrow \alpha)$$

$$\Phi_P \uparrow \lambda = \bigcup \{ \Phi_P \uparrow \alpha \mid \alpha < \lambda \}$$

with  $\lambda$  being a limit ordinal, but  $\bigcup$  is with respect to  $\leq_k$

$Q :- Q.$

Fixpoint for  $T_P$  is  $\{\}$ , i.e.  $I(Q)=\text{false}$

$Q :- Q.$

Fixpoint for  $\Phi_P$  is  $(\{\},\{\})$ , i.e.  $I(Q)=\perp$ .

$Q :- \text{not } Q.$

No fixpoint.

$Q :- \text{not } Q.$

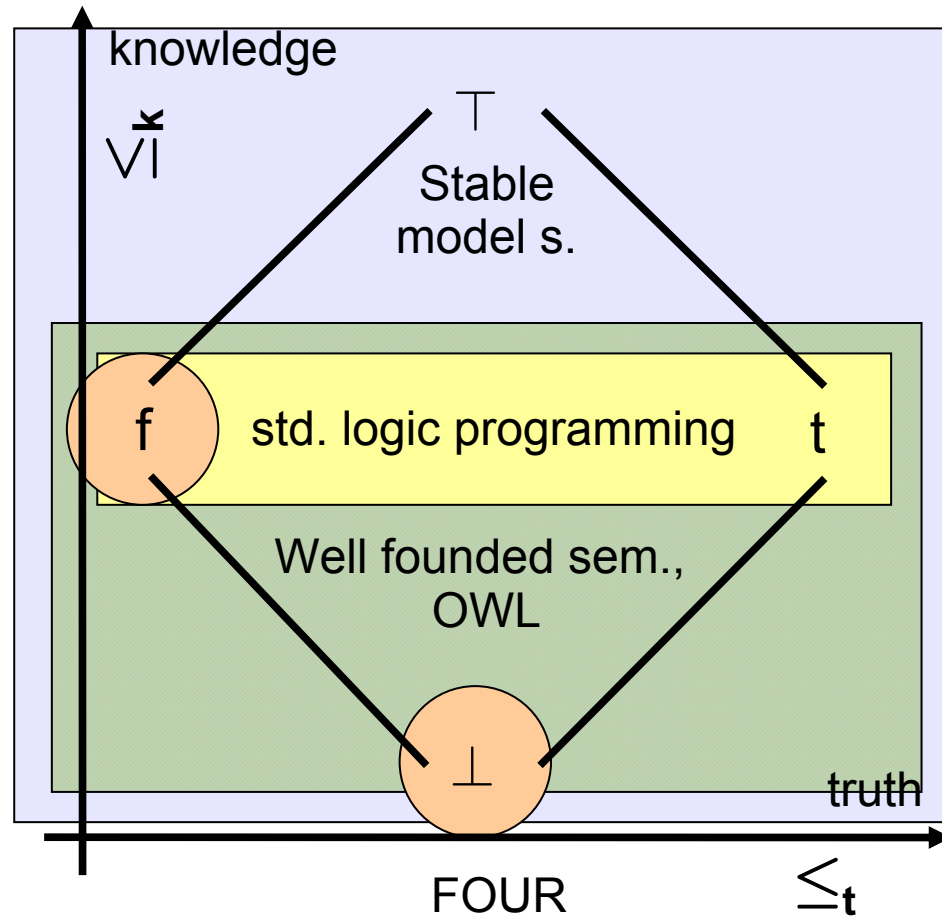
Fixpoint for  $\Phi_P$  is  $(\{\},\{\})$ , i.e.  $I(Q)=\perp$ .

**Proposition:** Let  $P$  be a definite program. Let  $I_k$  be the smallest fixed point of  $\Phi_P$  (with respect to  $\leq_k$ ), and let  $j_t$  and  $J_t$  be the smallest and the biggest fixed points of  $T_P$  (with respect to  $\leq_t$ ). Then, for a ground atom  $A$ ,

1. If  $j_t(A) = J_t(A)$ , then  $I_k(A)$  has this common value.
2. If  $j_t(A) \neq J_t(A)$  then  $I_k(A) = \perp$ .



## Knowledge and truth ordering



Default f: closed world, default ⊥: open world

$$\perp = \{\}$$

$$\text{false} = \{\text{false}\}$$

$$\text{true} = \{\text{true}\}$$

$$\top = \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$$

$\leq_k$  is now simply defined by  $\subseteq$  over  $I = \{\top, \text{false}, \text{true}, \perp\}$

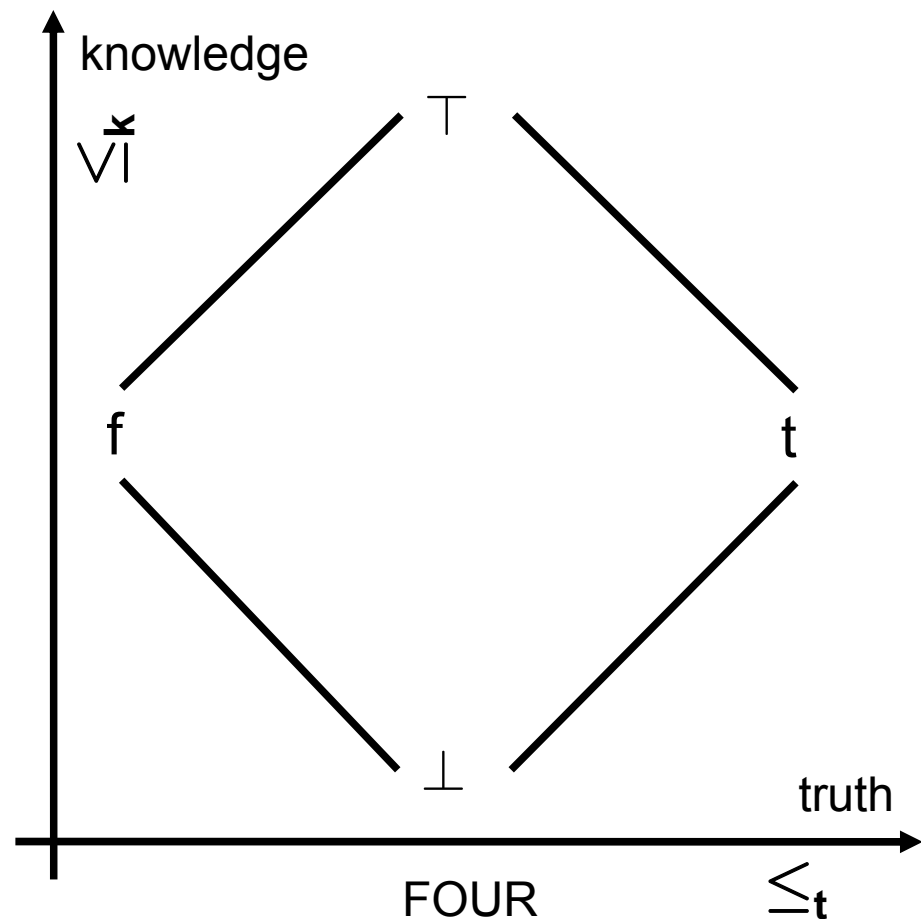
$\leq_k$  is a lattice,  $\leq_t$  is a lattice; their combination is a bi-lattice.

Logical connectives formalizable as  
(infinitely distributive) functions on this ordering:

- ◆  $a \vee b = \sup_t(a,b)$
- ◆  $a \wedge b = \inf_t(a,b)$
- ◆  $a \oplus b = \sup_k(a,b)$  „gullibility“
- ◆  $a \otimes b = \inf_k(a,b)$  „consensus“

$$\text{◆ } \neg a = \begin{cases} f, & \text{if } a = t \\ t, & \text{if } a = f \\ a, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Four binary operations, all distributive laws hold.



$$I(A \wedge B) = I(A) \wedge I(B)$$

$$I(A \otimes B) = I(A) \otimes I(B)$$

etc.

**Definition.** Let  $P$  be a normal program. Let  $P^*$  be its grounding as defined before. Let  $P^{**}$  be the completion of  $P^*$  (with possibly infinitely long ground clauses).

$$\Phi_P(I) = J,$$

where  $J$  is the unique interpretation determined by the following:

if  $A \leftarrow B$  is in  $P^{**}$ , then  $J(A) = I(B)$ ,

where we use Belnap's logic to evaluate  $I(B)$ .

Proposition 19: Let  $i_t$  and  $I_t$  be the smallest and biggest fixed points of the four-valued operator  $\Phi_P$  with respect to the  $\leq_t$  ordering, where  $P$  is a definite program.

Likewise, let  $j_k$  and  $J_k$  be the smallest and biggest fixed points of  $\Phi_P$  with respect to the  $\leq_k$  ordering.

We can state that:

$$j_k = i_t \otimes I_t$$

$$J_k = i_t \oplus I_t$$

$$i_t = j_k \wedge J_k$$

$$I_t = j_k \vee J_k$$

# On the Semantics of Trust on the Semantic Web

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## „Quantum of Solace“

**SPIEGEL ONLINE** ghest Bond-Girl ever.“

olga:GoodActor

qos:GoodAction

**WELT ONLINE** stale Martini.“

olga: ¬GoodActor

qos:GoodAction



Spiegel  $\cup$  Welt globally inconsistent.

To judge, whether Quantum of Solace is a good action movie, we need *paraconsistent* reasoning:

olga:GoodActor  $\rightarrow \top$       qos:GoodAction  $\rightarrow \perp$

# „Quantum of Solace“

**SPIEGEL ONLINE**

olga:GoodActor

qos:GoodAction

**WELT ONLINE**

olga:¬GoodActor

**Mail Online**

## Trust in News Sources



**SPIEGEL ONLINE**

**WELT ONLINE**

qos:GoodAction  $\rightarrow t_{so,w}$

olga:GoodActor  $\rightarrow T_{so,w,m}$  **Mail Online**

## General Trust Order



¬GoodActor

¬GoodAction

DIE ZEIT  
 Frankfurter Allgemeine  
**FAZ.NET** **SPIEGEL ONLINE**  
**Mail Online** **FOCUS ONLINE** ?  
 Süddeutsche Zeitung **WELT ONLINE**

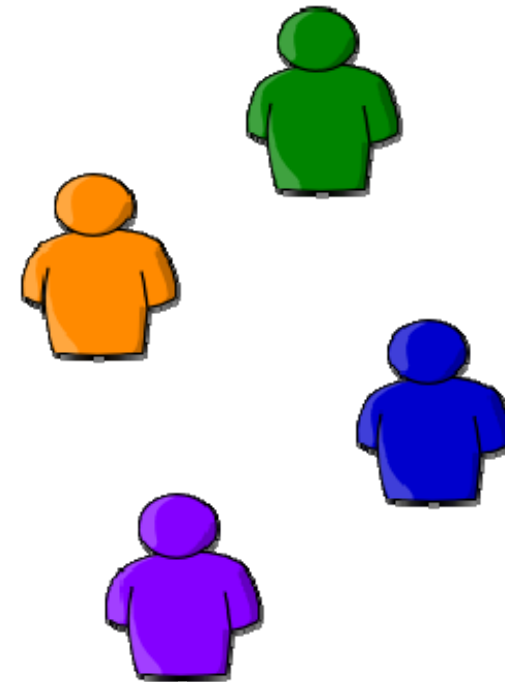
## Collaborative Ontology Editing

- ◆ Editors trusted differently
- ◆ Personal relation
- ◆ Even if possible, strict trust order for employees might be illegal

## Caching

- ◆ Distinguish between certain and possibly outdated information

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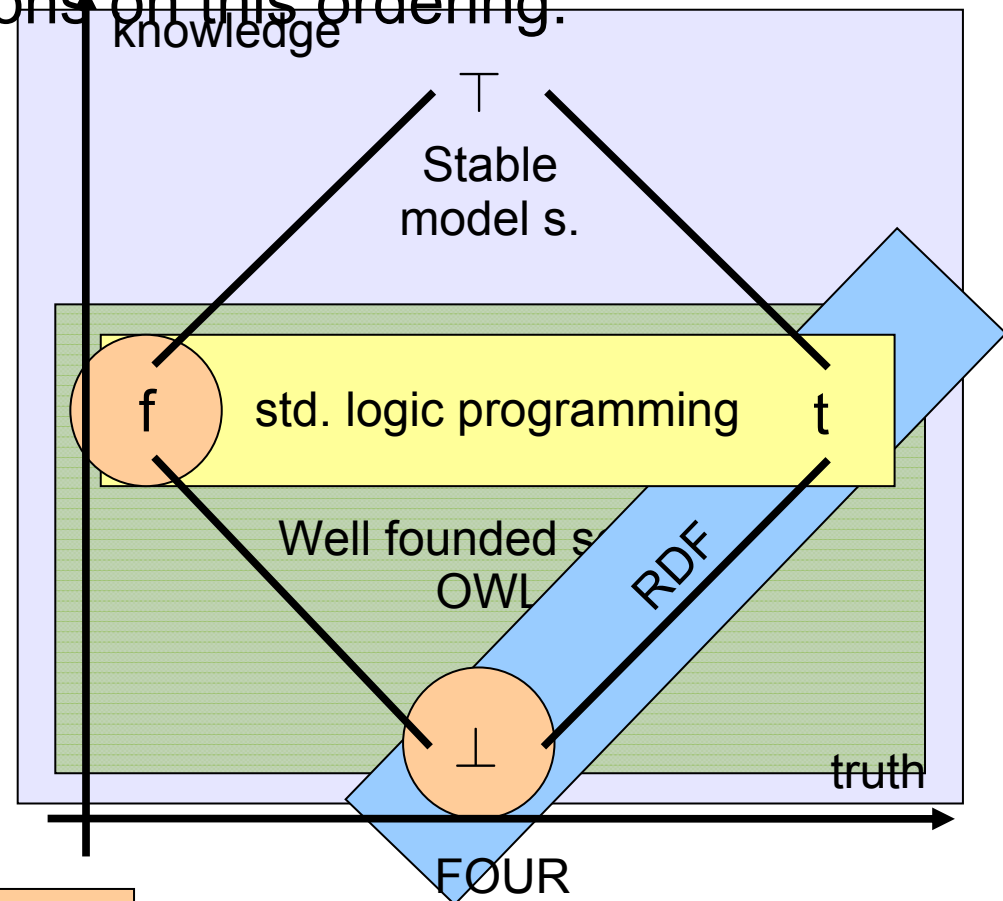
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- ◆ Outlook and Conclusion

Knowledge and truth ordering

Logical connectives formalizable as

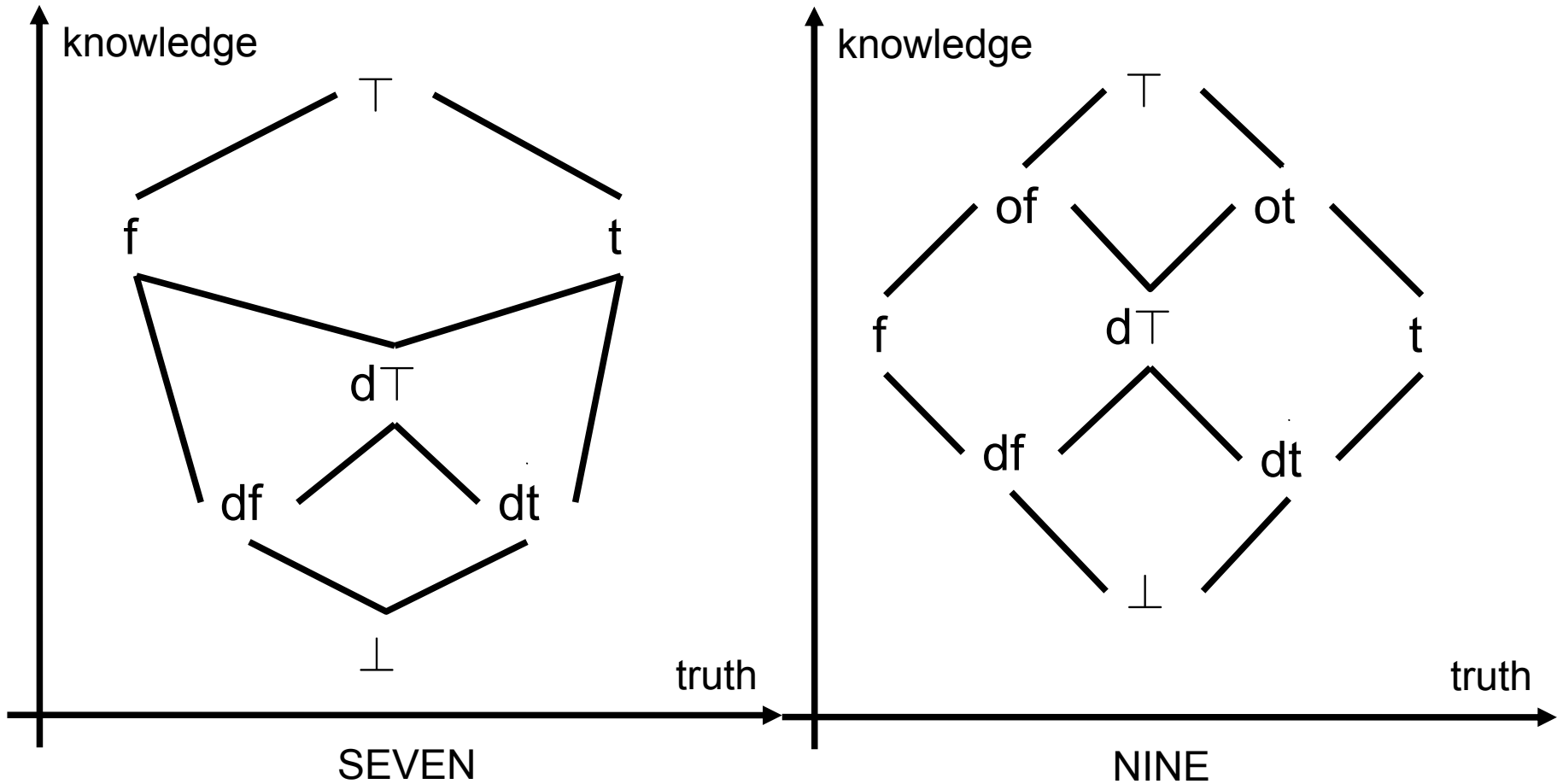
(infinitely distributive) functions on this ordering:

- ◆  $a \vee b = \sup_t(a,b)$
  - ◆  $a \wedge b = \inf_t(a,b)$
  - ◆  $a \oplus b = \sup_k(a,b)$
  - ◆  $a \otimes b = \inf_k(a,b)$
- $\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} f, \text{ if } a = t \\ t, \text{ if } a = f \\ a, \text{ otherwise} \end{array}$
- ◆  $\neg a =$



Default f: closed world, default ⊥: open world

e.g. *designed* for default reasoning



**Generate** logical bilattice based on trust order

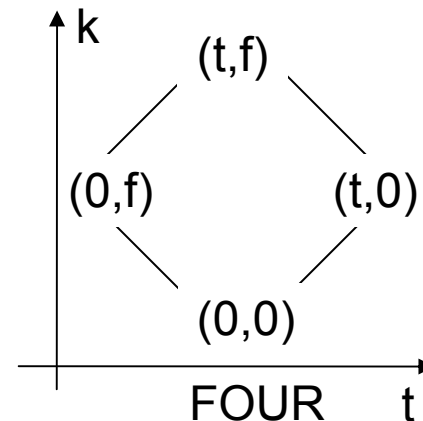
Lukasiewicz:

Derive (distributive) bilattice from two (distributive) lattices as follows:

Given two distributive lattices  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , create a bilattice  $L$ , where the nodes have values from  $L_1 \times L_2$ , such that

- ♦  $(a,b) \leq_k (x,y)$  iff  $a \leq_{L_1} x \wedge b \leq_{L_2} y$
- ♦  $(a,b) \leq_t (x,y)$  iff  $a \leq_{L_1} x \wedge y \leq_{L_2} b$

e.g. FOUR =  $(0,t) \times (0,f)$ :

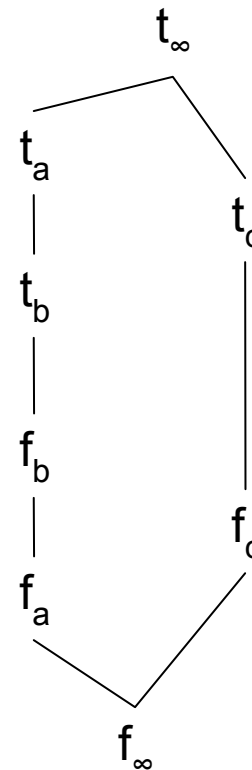
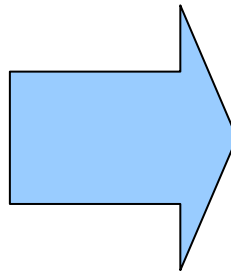
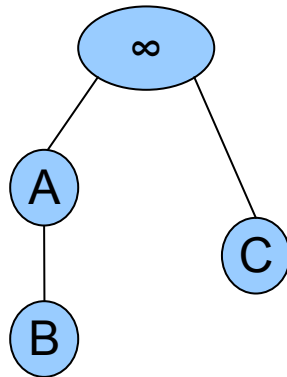


Derive  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  from trust order  $T$  over information sources  $S$ :

$$L_1 = L_2 = \{(f_i, t_i) \mid i \in S\} \cup$$

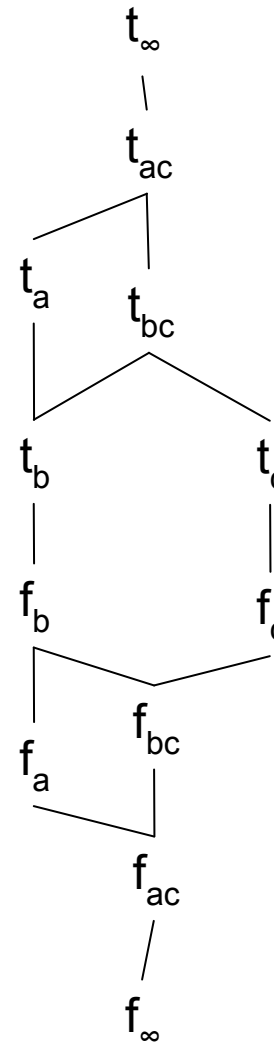
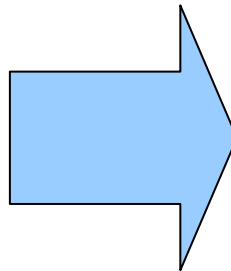
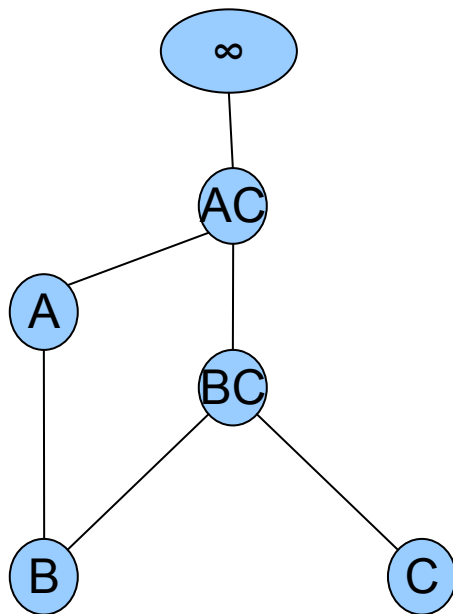
$$\{(t_i, t_j) \mid (i, j) \in T\} \cup$$

$$\{(f_i, f_j) \mid (j, i) \in T\}$$



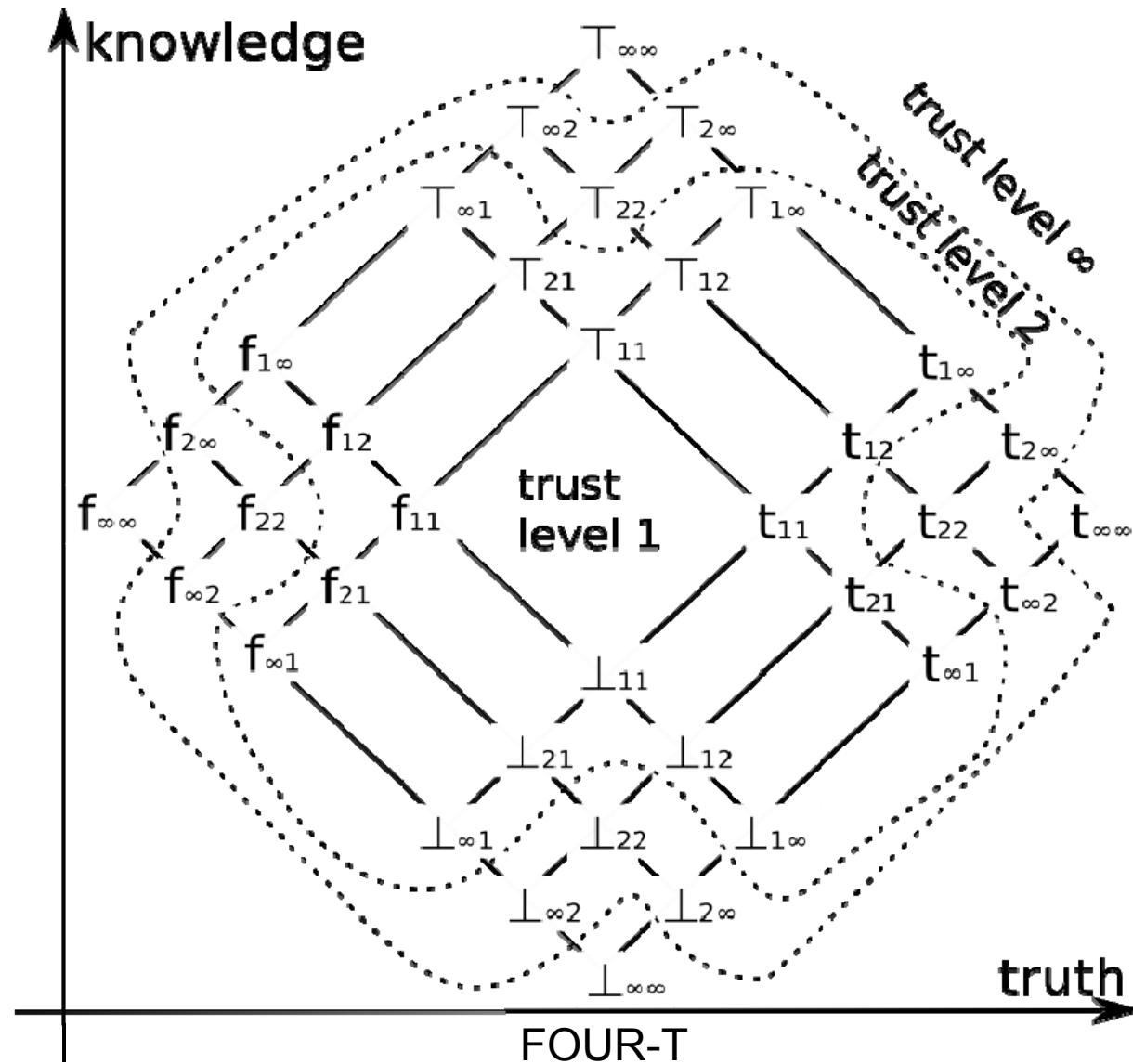
Derive  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  from **augmented** trust order  $T$  over information sources  $S$ :

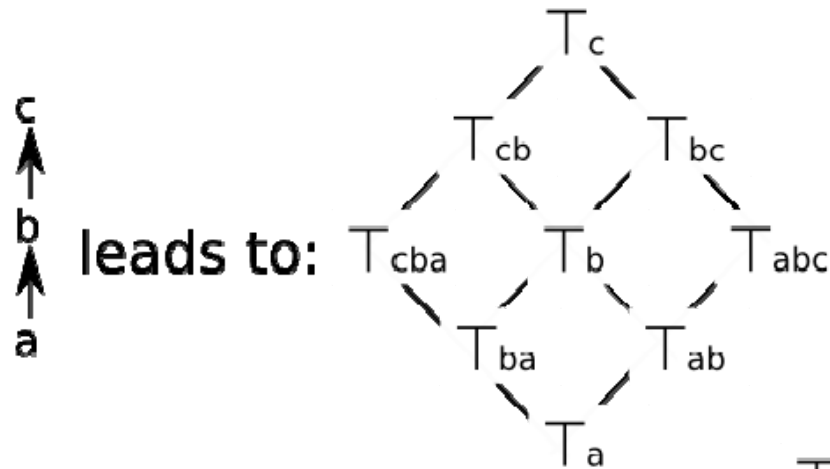
$$L_1 = L_2 = \{(f_i, t_i) \mid i \in S\} \cup \{(t_i, t_j) \mid (i, j) \in T\} \cup \{(f_i, f_j) \mid (j, i) \in T\}$$



Use trust order to derive a logical bilattice.

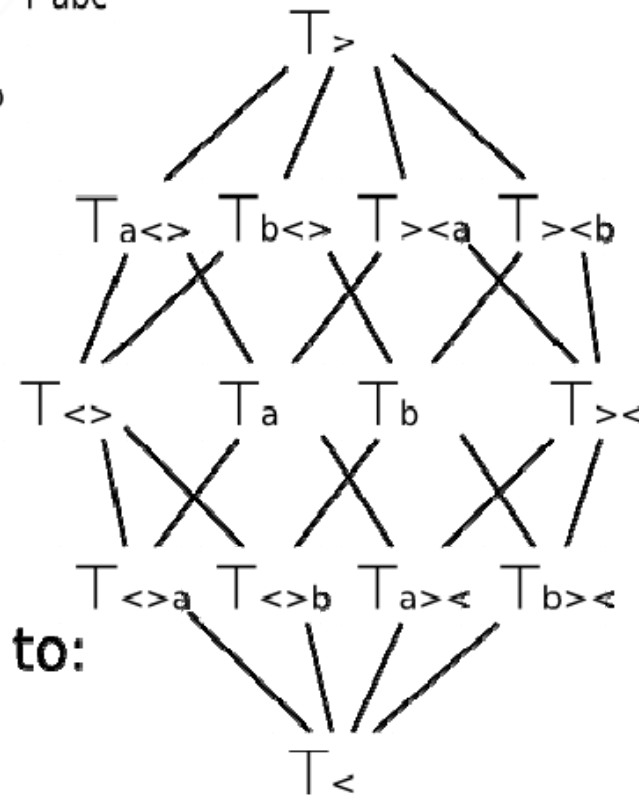
Example for comparable information sources:





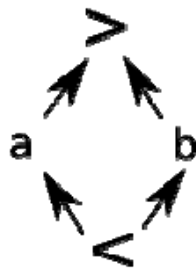
leads to:

a) comparable sources



leads to:

b) incomparable sources



## Interpretation in SROIQ:

- ◆ Class: set of individuals
- ◆ Property: relation (set of pairs)

## Interpretation in SROIQ-T:

- ◆ Class: *function* from individuals to truth values
- ◆ Property: *function* from *pairs* of individuals to truth values

## From SROIQ to SROIQ-T

- ◆ Replace intersection and union by conjunction and disjunction
- ◆ Replace „for all“ and „exists“ by conjunction and disjunction over all individuals

$$(C_1 \sqcap C_2)^I = C_1 \cap C_2$$

$$(\exists R.C)^I = \{x : (x,y) \in R^I \wedge y \in C^I\}$$

$$(C_1 \sqcap C_2)^I(x) = C_1^I(x) \wedge C_2^I(x)$$

$$(\exists R.C)^I(x) = \bigvee_{y \in \Delta^I} R^I(x,y) \wedge C^I(y)$$

Satisfiability: There exists a model, which makes all axioms true

Satisfiability wrt. Truth value  $u$ : There exists a model, which assigns a truth value  $\succ_t u$  to all axioms

$\top^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \top_{yy}$ , where  $y$  is the information source, defining  $\top^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$

$\perp^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \perp_{yy}$ , where  $y$  is the information source, defining  $\perp^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$

$$(C_1 \sqcap C_2)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = C_1^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \wedge C_2^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$$

$$(C_1 \sqcup C_2)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = C_1^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \dot{\vee} C_2^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$$

$$(\neg C)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \dot{\neg} C^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$$

$$(S^-)^{\mathcal{I}}(x, y) = S^{\mathcal{I}}(y, x)$$

$$(\forall R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \dot{\bigwedge}_{y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x, y) \dot{\neg} C^{\mathcal{I}}(y)$$

$$(\exists R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \dot{\bigvee}_{y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x, y) \wedge C^{\mathcal{I}}(y)$$

$$(\exists R.\text{Self})^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = R^{\mathcal{I}}(x, x)$$

$$(\geq nS)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \dot{\bigvee}_{\{y_1, \dots, y_m\} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}, m \geq n} \dot{\bigwedge}_{i=1}^n S^{\mathcal{I}}(x, y_i)$$

$$(\leq nS)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \dot{\neg} \dot{\bigvee}_{\{y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}\} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} \dot{\bigwedge}_{i=1}^{n+1} S^{\mathcal{I}}(x, y_i)$$

$$\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \dot{\bigvee}_{i=1}^n a_i^{\mathcal{I}} = x$$

$$(R \sqsubseteq S)^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x,y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y) \dot{\rightarrow} S^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y)$$

$$(R = S)^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x,y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y) \leftrightarrow S^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y)$$

$$(R_1 \circ \dots \circ R_n \sqsubseteq S)^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{\langle x_1, x_{n+1} \rangle \in \text{dom}(S^{\mathcal{I}})} \bigvee_{\{x_2, \dots, x_n\}} \bigwedge_{i=1}^n R_i^{\mathcal{I}}(x_i, x_{i+1})$$

$$(\text{Asy}(R))^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x,y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} \dot{\neg}(R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y) \wedge R^{\mathcal{I}}(y,x))$$

$$(\text{Ref}(R))^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,x)$$

$$(\text{Irr}(R))^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} \dot{\neg} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,x)$$

$$(\text{Dis}(R, S))^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x,y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y) \dot{\rightarrow} \dot{\neg} S^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y)$$

$$(C \sqsubseteq D)^{\mathcal{I}} = \bigwedge_{x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} C^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \dot{\rightarrow} D^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$$

$$(a : C)^{\mathcal{I}} = C^{\mathcal{I}}(a^{\mathcal{I}})$$

$$((a, b) : R)^{\mathcal{I}} = R^{\mathcal{I}}(a^{\mathcal{I}}, b^{\mathcal{I}})$$

$$a \approx b = a^{\mathcal{I}} = b^{\mathcal{I}}$$

$$a \not\approx b = a^{\mathcal{I}} \neq b^{\mathcal{I}}.$$

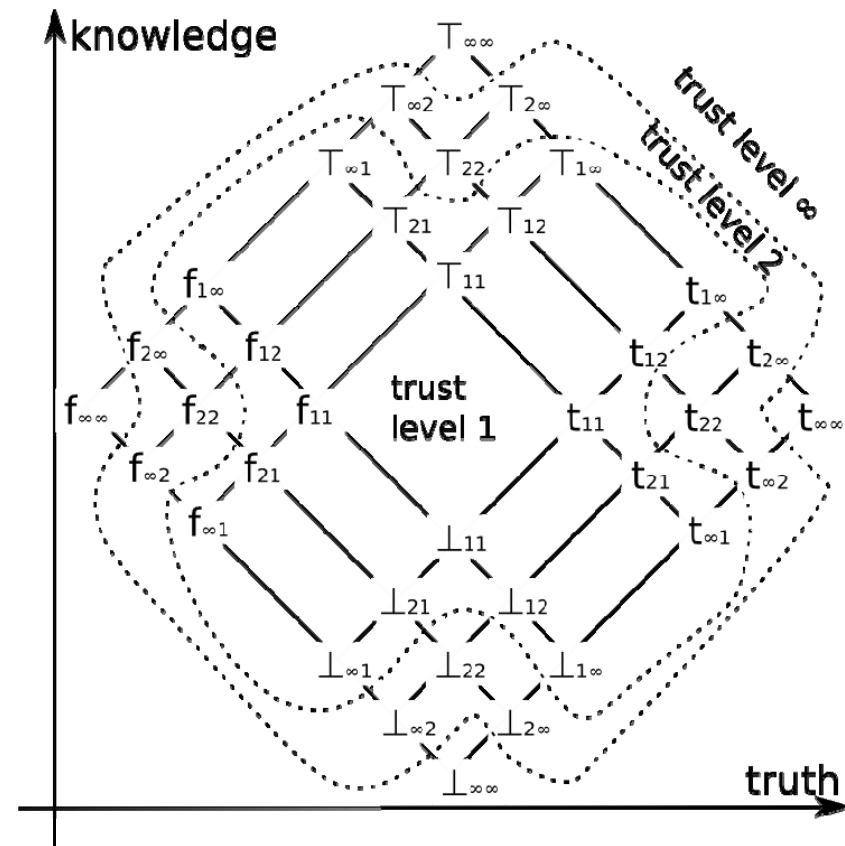
Reasons for Inconsistencies:

$$tv(a) = t_x: \quad a \leftarrow A$$

$$tv(a) = f_y: \quad a \leftarrow B$$

$$f_x \wedge t_y = \top_{xy} \text{ (inconsistent)}$$

Subscript of  $\top$  reflects the maximally and minimally trusted information sources, which cause the inconsistency.



Possible resolution: Find minimal inconsistent subontology  
Drop minimally trusted axioms.



olga:GoodActor  
qos:GoodAction

$t_{so}$  SPIEGEL ONLINE  
 $t_{so}$

WELT ONLINE olga:GoodActor  $f_W$   
qos:GoodAction  $t_W$

MailOnline olga:GoodActor  $f_M$   
qos:GoodAction  $f_M$



olga:GoodActor  $\rightarrow T_{W,SO}$   
qos:GoodAction  $\rightarrow T_{M,SO,W} = f_M \oplus t_{SO,W}$

Minimally and maximally trusted source contributing to the inconsistency



qos:GoodAction  $\rightarrow t_{SO,W}$   
~~qos:GoodAction  $\rightarrow f_M$~~

Drop minimally trusted axioms

Not possible for olga:GoodActor!

- ◆ Go watch „Quantum of Solace“  
(Simon’s recommendation)
  
- ◆ Trust based reasoning on logical bilattices
  - ◆ Derived from any partial trust order
  - ◆ Applicable to a broad variety of languages
  
- ◆ Current Work:
  - ◆ Operationalization
    - Ask Renata!