Artificial Intelligence: Knowledge Representation: Frames

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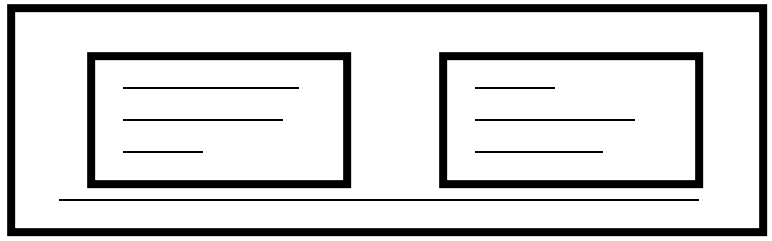
Frames

- Slot-and-filler mechanism
- Conditions on filling objects for a slot possible
- Filler can be another frame
- Extend record concept with associated functionality (procedural knowledge)

☞Predecessor/special case/ more general concept of object-oriented programming

☞Conditions and procedural knowledge define semantics



XML

XML

- eXtensible Markup Language
- Subset of SGML
- Originally a method for putting structured data in a text file
- Allows to define own terms and markup
  ☞ allows to convey knowledge
- One of the key elements of the Semantic Web
  (together with Ontologies)

Basic data structures

- tags enclose text
  <Address> 2500 University Drive NW </Address>
- tags can be nested
  <Address>
  <number> 2500 </number>
  <street> University Drive NW </street>
  </Address>
- Tags may have attributes
  <Address type="North-America"> 2500 University Drive NW </Address>

Semantics

- DTD to validate XML expressions
  (or XML Schema, Xlink and Xpointer, …)
- Ontologies to describe meaning of tags
  - Based on concensus between parties on human level
  - Provided to computer by procedures that work on tags

DTD - Document Type Definition (I)

- Part of XML file or described in own file
- Describes logical document structure
- <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
  ☞ defines tags <name> and </name> and content between tags has to be parsable character data text
- <!ELEMENT Diet (breakfast,lunch)>
  <!ELEMENT breakfast (#PCDATA)>
  <!ELEMENT lunch (#PCDATA)>
  ☞ Diet consists of entries for breakfast and lunch (in this order)

DTD - Document Type Definition (II)

- <!ELEMENT name (#PCDATA)>
- <!ATTLIST name gender (male|female) #REQUIRED>
- ☞ defines attributes for tags
- plus much more syntax

- (list of options separated by |)
- CDATA for character data
- #REQUIRED -> required
- #IMPLIED -> optional

Ontology

- File or document that defines relations among terms
- Typically: taxonomy + set of inference rules
- Formal description mechanism: a modal logic
- Practical use:
  - Taxonomy = DTD file (or other validation scheme)
  - Inference rules = procedures that use elements to produce other elements

☞Same concept can be expressed by different ontologies

☞Same taxonomy can have different inference rules and therefore different semantics

☞Still lots of research necessary (and coming up with norms)

How to get knowledge into the representation structure

- With ontology:
  state your facts in a file using the provided tags
- Without ontology:
  - Define tags and a DTD for it
  - Provide procedures using tags
  - See above

Discussion

- Uses the web hype
- Rather pragmatical
- Meta concept, very general
- Easy to read and understand by humans
- Lots of tools and libraries already available

– Semantics via ontologies dangerous:
  there are many of them for a subject area and Microsoft-like behavior of the humans involved has to be expected
  ☞ semantic standards for subject areas needed!

And what about processing data?

- With ontology:
  run procedures that are provided
  ☞ similar to PROLOG (hopefully less problematic with regard to having to know about control)

- Without ontology or if missing certain functionality:
  write procedure for functionality and run it
  ☞ often involves searching through knowledge base

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  <**Item**>

    <**Location**></Location>

  </Item>

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<**Location**/>

</Item>

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<!DOCTYPE Warehouse[
    <!ELEMENT Warehouse (Item)>
    <!ELEMENT Item (Location)>
    <!ELEMENT Location EMPTY>
    <!ATTLIST Item instock (true|false) #REQUIRED>
    <!ATTLIST Item name CDATA #REQUIRED>
    <!ATTLIST Item price CDATA #REQUIRED>
    <!ATTLIST Item manufacturer CDATA #REQUIRED>
    <!ATTLIST Location row CDATA #REQUIRED>
    <!ATTLIST Location shelf CDATA #REQUIRED>
    <!ATTLIST Location box CDATA #IMPLIED>
]>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<Warehouse>
<Item instock="T/F", name="", price="", manufacturer="">
<Location row="", shelf="" box="opt"/>
</Item>
</Warehouse>
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<?xml version="1.0" ?>

<!DOCTYPE Warehouse[

<!ELEMENT Warehouse (Item)>
<!ELEMENT Item (Location)>
<!ELEMENT Location **EMPTY**>
<!ATTLIST Item instock **(true|fals**
<!ATTLIST Item name CDATA #REC
<!ATTLIST Item price CDATA #REQ
<!ATTLIST Item manufacturer CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST Location row CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST Location shelf CDATA #REQUIRED>
<!ATTLIST Location box CDATA **#IMPLIED**>

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<Item instock="**T/F**", name="", price="", manufacturer="">
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e>

NOT THE ONLY ANSWER!!!

Onward to … Semantics

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